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HITLER WILLING TO STOP NOW

Peace Offensive: Plus Tirade

GERMANY OR BRITAIN WILL GO DOWN TO DESTRUCTION, BUT IT WILL NOT BE GERMANY, IF THIS WAR GOES ON. SO LET US LIE DOWN TOGETHER IN PEACE, GERMANY ("THE LION") AND BRITAIN ("THE LAMB") AND CALL THE WHOLE THING OFF.

This, in essence, was the keynote of a remarkable speech which Hitler made in the Reichstag last evening, fulfilling the expectations of a last-minute peace offensive, as an easier alternative than an attempt to fulfil his vainglorious boastings of a swift conquest of Britain.

CANADIANS HOLD MOCK BATTLE

Canadian troops held a mock-battle in England yesterday, repulsing an imaginary German invasion.

Supported by every device of modern war, the First Canadian Division occupied prepared positions in an English village. By night-fall, victory was theirs; they took "thousands of prisoners" and "annihilated" what was left of the invading force.

Guns, rifles, tanks and dive-bombers all took part, imitation bombs helping the illusion.

The "enemy"—represented by the Central Canadian Brigade—secured strong footholds before the defenders established contact. The superior striking power of the defenders prevailed.

During the sham battle, a real enemy raider appeared over the coast some miles away!

Some of the planes taking part in the "battle" flew off to deal with it.—Reuter.

NAVAL RATING FOUND DROWNED

The body of a British naval rating, L. Huscroft, aged 23, was found floating in the harbour off the East Pier at 4 p.m. yesterday. Huscroft has been missing since 11 p.m. on Sunday.

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery at 10.30 a.m. this morning, with naval honours.

H.K. PROHIBITS EXPORT OF TEA

The Controller of Trade, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 50 of the Defence Regulations, 1940, with the consent of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government prohibited the export, except by licence under my hand or under the hand of an officer of my department on my behalf, of tea.

The speech was remarkable in many ways. Until the final sentences, which included the "peace offer," Hitler spoke some thousands of words, saying nothing whatever of importance, describing the magnificence of his achievements and repeating a series of stupid lies on the causation of the course of events.

Mr. Churchill received the bitterest end of Hitler's tongue, the German Chancellor concentrating on an attempt to show that but for the Prime Minister, Germany and Britain could have found an amicable solution. When the blitzkrieg strikes, said Hitler, Mr. Churchill will not be there. He will have fled to Canada!

It was noteworthy, however, that Hitler launched his peace offensive without the slightest confidence in its success. He felt he had to make the offer to relieve "his conscience" of the things to come.

Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, occupied a seat in the front row of the Reichstag in Berlin last evening before Hitler began his speech.

Most of the deputies were in the field grey uniform of the German armed forces. Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, personally greeted Count Ciano as the latter appeared on the platform.

In opening the sitting, Field-Marshal Goering, the Air Minister, referred to those who had laid down their lives on the battlefield.

He paid a tribute to their sacrifices, and said that the Reichstag, as representing the German people, would see to it that no family should suffer through the death of a breadwinner.

"Insight Into Events"

Hitler, who rose immediately afterwards, said: "I summoned you to this meeting in the midst of this tremendous struggle for the future of the German nation. I consider it imperative to give the German people an insight into events."

"The National Socialist movement, so far as it has affected the development of the Reich's relationship with the world, was simply to bring about a cancellation of the Treaty of Versailles."

"The assumption that Franco-British culture could lead was a mere effrontery thrown into glaring light by their own negligence and lack of achievement."

"All Germany's demands had to be carried through contrary to the wishes of the British and French rulers."

"If I had no justification for believing in victory, I should not have proposed an understanding with Britain and France without making any demands."

"Chamberlain Spat!"

"For this peaceful proposal of mine I was abused. Chamberlain spat on me in the eyes of the world."

"While the Anglo-French whiff was looking round for possibilities to extend the war I

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ENEMY RAIDER IN CARIBBEAN

It was officially announced in London last evening that two British merchant ships, the King John and Davisian, were sunk in the region of the West Indies by an enemy raider believed to be a converted merchant vessel known to be at large in the Atlantic.

All British ships have been warned. — Reuter.

WHAT ITALY IS TOLD TO THINK

The official Italian news agency stated in Rome last night that in the Italian capital, Hitler's speech has been welcomed as "a great political act. Moderation and

BOULOGNE BARGES BOMBED

An Air Ministry communique issued in London yesterday stated our bomber aircraft attacked in daylight barge concentrations near Rotterdam, Boulogne harbour, warehouses at Le Havre and the aerodrome at St. Omer.

Three of our aircraft are missing.

During the night Coastal Command aircraft bombed the naval base at Emden, the harbours at Harlingen and Willemsoord and a supply depot at Ghent. All aircraft returned safely.

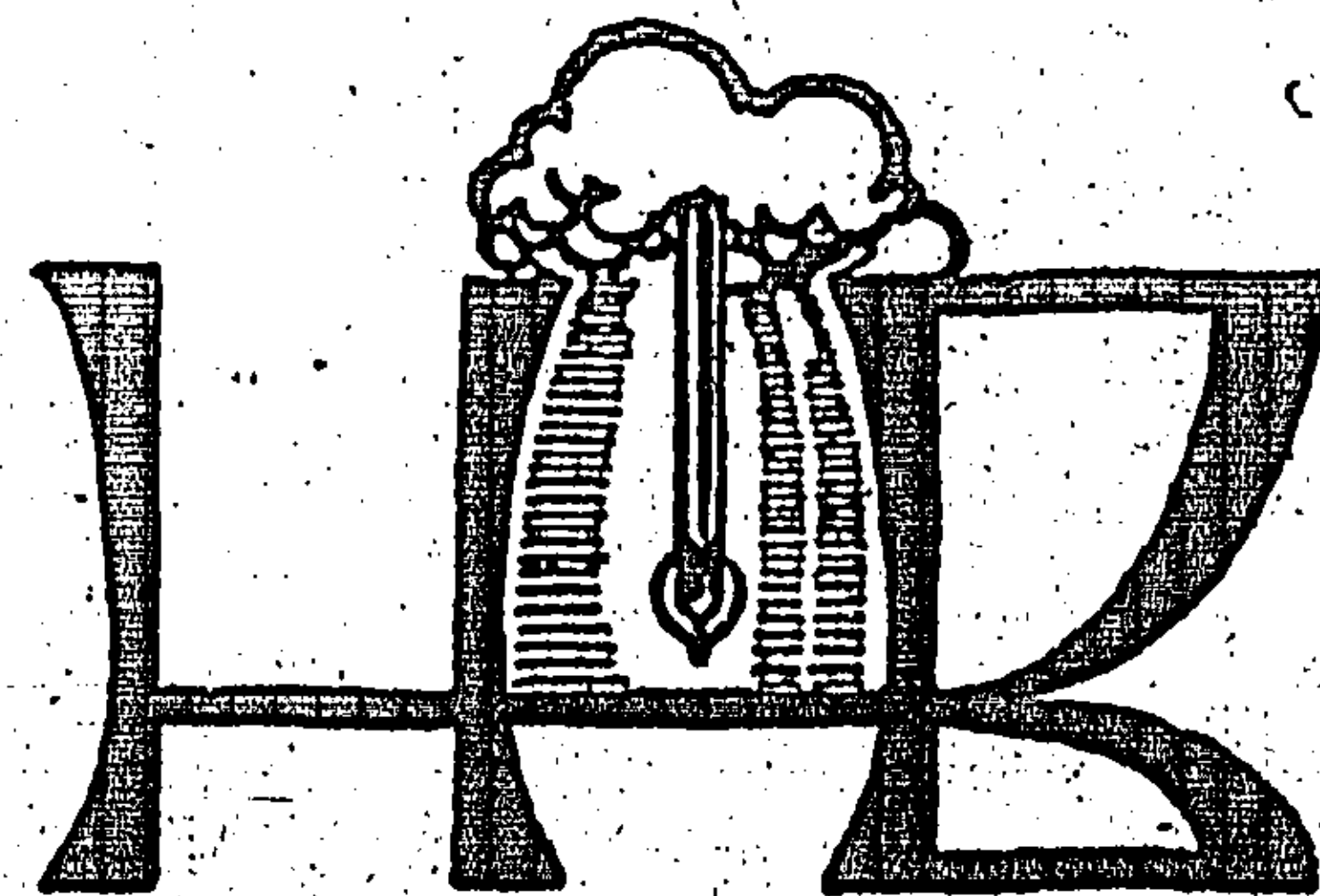
R.A.F. bombers attacked aircraft factories and depots at Diepholz, Paderborn and Rotenburg, old depots at Bremen and Hanover, munition factories at Essen, goodsyards at Ham, an aerodrome near Cassel and ammunition trains east of Bremen. One of our aircraft is missing. — Reuter.

FRENCH EMBASSY LEAVES LONDON

The French Embassy in London closed yesterday and the Charge d'Affaires and his staff left for France. — Reuter.

commonsense; a great speech of a great statesman and a speech of victory." The agency added his references to Italy were particularly welcomed. — Reuter.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

GERMAN BOMBERS ATTACK SHIP CONVOY

Widespread Visits Over The British Isles

BRITAIN'S YOUNGEST LT.-GENERAL

Major-General H. R. Alexander, the officer to whom Lord Gort handed over command of the remaining troops at Dunkirk when he returned to England, has been promoted Lt.-General.

Major-Gen. Alexander, who is 48, was one of the youngest major-generals in the British Army and has already seen service in three campaigns—the Great War, on the North-West Frontier of India and the present conflict.—Reuter.

GIRL SHOT DEAD AT CAMP

The story of a soldier's tragic joke will be told at an inquest at Liverpool, on Miss Mary Hook (17), of Gainford-road, Liverpool, who was killed by a rifle bullet.

Miss Hook and a girl companion were out for an evening stroll and decided to have a rest. They were leaning over the wall of a military camp when a soldier was seen to enter a hut preparatory to going on sentry duty.

When he came out of the hut and saw the two girls looking towards him from the wall, 10 yards away, he raised his gun in fun in their direction.

Miss Hook, accepting the mocking challenge, said, "I wish you would."

The soldier replied: "Anything to oblige a lady," and again lifted his rifle, which went off.

The young soldier and Miss Hook had never seen each other before.

MACHINE THAT BLOWS BUBBLES

A machine that blows bubbles of molten glass in much the same fashion as a child blows bubbles with soapy water has been developed, and is being used to make the coloured glass balls used as Christmas ornaments.

Although of equal weight, they are stronger than the imported handmade variety and have thicker necks, which reduces breakage.

The machine used is similar to that which makes electric light bulbs. A ribbon of molten glass on the underside of which is a series of moulds. A puff of air blows the fluid glass into the mould, and it shapes itself to the spherical form of the mould.

The mould, which is in two parts, separates, leaving the series of bubbles attached to the glass ribbon, from which they are mechanically detached and finished.

The silvering or colouring is done in a second process. The glass ribbon minus the bubbles goes back to the reservoir to be remelted.

ADMIRAL ABRIAL'S APPOINTMENT

Admiral Abrial, who played an important part in the evacuation at Dunkirk, has been appointed Governor-General of Algeria in succession to M. Le Beau, says Reuter from Vichy.

A Correction

By a confusion of names in an official report, it was reported yesterday that Mr. J. J. Ferguson had been involved in a motor accident near Talkoo. Mr. G. P. Ferguson, also of the Education Department, was the European concerned in the mishap.

IRONSIDE PROMOTED FIELD-MARSHAL

General Sir Edmund Ironside has been promoted Field-Marshal, says a Reuter telegram from London this morning.

General Viscount Gort is appointed Inspector-General to the Forces for training.

Lt.-Gen. Sir Alan Brooke, G.O.C. Southern Command, has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Home Forces, with the acting rank of General, in succession to General Ironside.—Reuter.

TOO MANY TROOPS IN AUSTRALIA

MR. R. G. MENZIES, THE AUSTRALIAN PREMIER, STATED IN SYDNEY YESTERDAY THAT OWING TO THE GREAT CHANGES IN THE EUROPEAN SITUATION, WHICH MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHEN THE DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE NOW IN AUSTRALIA WOULD BE REQUIRED OVERSEAS, THERE AT PRESENT WAS A GREAT CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS IN CAMP IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

As a result, the strength of the forces in the Commonwealth would be temporarily limited to 80,000 and recruiting would have to be temporarily interrupted at an early date.

There were already 77,000 men in camp, which was greater than at any time in the last war. Australia was now concentrating on raising the strength of the home defence forces to 250,000.—Reuter.

NATIONAL ANTHEMS MADE HER LATE

A Russian tailor, an Italian headwaiter, a Norwegian woman, and a student from Salvador, were charged at West London Police Court with being out of doors after midnight. The men were each fined £2, and the woman was fined £1.

The Italian, Antonio Bertorelli, 37, of Old Brompton-road, S.W., was said to have lived in England since 1910.

The magistrate, Sir Gervais Rentoul, expressed surprise when told that as yet there were no other restrictions imposed upon him.

The woman, Astri Wiese, 30, of Atherstone-mews, Kensington, said she had been out to supper in the West End, and when she was about to leave the band played the national anthems of the Allies, and she did not like to leave.

THAI CONSULATE

It is notified that Mr. Sangar Suwanasri, Thai Trade Agent at Hong Kong, will be in temporary charge of the Thai Consulate-General, with effect from 20th July, 1940.

Casualties In Scotland And S. Wales

TWENTY-TWO GERMAN DIVE BOMBERS APPEARING OVER THE ENGLISH COAST AT- TACKED SHIPS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Twenty high explosive bombs were dropped but not a single ship was hit. Anti-aircraft fire broke up the attack and drove the raiders out to sea.

One is believed to have crashed in mid-Channel after one of the crew had jumped with his parachute. He was drowned before help could reach him.

An Air Ministry communique says that aircraft of the Fighter Command and A.A. guns engaged large forces of enemy aircraft in several actions over the south-east coast of England during yesterday.

In the fierce encounters that ensued, eight enemy planes were shot down by our fighters and one by A.A. fire. Several other enemy aircraft were damaged.

The number of aircraft reported yesterday as having been shot down by the R.A.F. and A.A. guns is now 11 (four bombers and seven fighters). Five of our fighters are missing.—Reuter.

Building Demolished

The Ministry of Home Security in London last night announced: "There was some enemy activity over Scotland and Wales and at one point in South-East England to-day (Friday)."

"In a Scottish town, a building was demolished and some others damaged. Some casualties occurred, nearly all being injured."

"Minor casualties occurred when some bombs were dropped in South Wales." — Reuter.

HE TRIED TO HIDE PLUCK

Because he did not like the camp laundry nineteen-year-old Donald Brown, R.A.F. air gunner whose home is at Railway-street, Stafford, sent his washing home to his mother each week.

She knew that several times he had been in action, but when he came home on leave he did not tell her very much about his experiences.

One day she received his parcel of laundry and on opening it was horrified to find his shirt stained with blood. There was a hole through the shoulder. She wrote and asked him for an explanation and he replied that the hole was caused by a cigarette burn.

Now she has heard that he had a lucky escape in an encounter with fourteen German planes and that he was hit in the shoulder. She would never have known, perhaps, but for the blood-stained shirt.

Brown was a member of the crew of the wingless plane which limped back to France and landed safely. He has had many thrilling experiences on active service. Now he is in hospital.

NEW MEMBER OF H.K.N.V.F.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has made the following appointments in the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force:

To be Acting Sub-Lieutenants: George Spedding McGill, Noel Julian Cornes.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Arthur Grenfell Clarke to be an Assistant War Revenue Commissioner in addition to his other duties.

BRITAIN AND GOLD STANDARD

A STATEMENT DECLARING that Britain intends to return to "liberal monetary policies as soon as possible after hostilities cease," was issued in Washington jointly yesterday by Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau and Sir Frederick Phillips, an Under-Secretary of the British Treasury who recently arrived in Washington for discussions with the U.S. Treasury.

The statement followed conferences dealing with "questions of mutual interest," including British purchases in the United States and control of assets in the invaded countries, which are held in Britain and the United States.

"Naturally we do not want these assets to get under the effective control of Germany," Sir Frederick Phillips said, adding he could not discuss what, if any assurances he had received about United States policy towards these assets. When questioned regarding the future value of gold, since British payments are reported to be concentrating nearly all the world's gold in the United States Sir Frederick said: "We have no doubts on the future value of gold." — Reuter.

PAID MAN £50 TO TAKE HIS MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Stated to have paid another man £50 to take his place before a medical board, Isaac Rosenberg, 24, of Bethune-road, Stoke Newington, was at Tottenham ordered to pay a fine of £25 or go to prison for three months.

The charge against him was that, with intent to deceive, he lent, or allowed to be used, a certificate received under the provisions of the National Service Armed Forces Act. He pleaded guilty.

Det.-sergeant Davies said that Rosenberg registered in February. The man he paid to take the medical examination for him had previously been rejected because of a bad heart, and it was obvious that in taking the examination again the man would obtain an exemption for Rosenberg.

Mr. Edward Fall, for Rosenberg, said he had now been examined and accepted for service.

IN THE "GAZETTE"

An announcement in the "Gazette" states that in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Naval Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has dispensed with the services of Warrant Officer James Owens as a member of the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force.

KOWLOON ROAD STOPPED UP-BY ORDER

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by regulation 36 of the Defence Regulations, 1940, the Officer Administering the Government, deeming it necessary in the interests of defence or public safety so to do, has ordered the stopping up of that portion of the public roadway on the north-west arm of Yaumati Typhoon Refuge, Kowloon, south of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 32 and west of Tai Kok Tsui Road at its junction with the extreme western end of Argyle Street.

MARQUIS WON EASILY

A charge of driving while under the influence of drink against the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava was, at Greenwich, dismissed without calling upon the defence. It was stated that one test to determine his condition after his arrest was a game of noughts and crosses. This was played with a police surgeon, and the Marquis brought off a rapid victory.

The police surgeon also said that the Marquis put in the face of a clock very well.

Mr. St. John Hutchinson, K.C. (defending), produced a letter from Lord Horder stating that the Marquis, upon his advice, had been having a series of injections, which would account for his dilated pupils and their sluggish reaction to light.

The police surgeon said that had he known this it would have made a difference to his diagnosis.

WARSHIP SAVES BOMBER CREW

An Air Ministry bulletin last night described how the crew of an R.A.F. Coastal Command bomber, after it had made a forced landing on the sea, was saved by another bomber of the same squadron.

The aircraft dived and bombed two German motor torpedo-boats off the Dutch coast. Then they raked them with machine-gun fire, much of which got home. The motor torpedo-boats were putting up a heavy curtain of anti-aircraft fire, and one of our aircraft was struck in the port engine. Still under control, it disappeared into mist close to the sea.

Another aircraft of the patrol followed and saw it land on the sea. The crew stood on top of the fuselage before launching their dinghy. The second aircraft flew away and found a destroyer, which it guided to the wrecked machine. The crew were taken on board the warship.

NEW IMPETUS TO BRITISH ARMS DRIVE

MR. FARLEY TO STEP DOWN SHORTLY

The U.S. Postmaster-General, Mr. James Farley, announced in Chicago yesterday he was retiring from the chairmanship of the Democratic National Committee on August 17.

Mr. Farley, who pledged full support to the Roosevelt-Wallace ticket, said he would confer with President Roosevelt regarding leaving the Cabinet.—Reuter.

UNIFORM CHARGE

Sidney Richard Streatfield, 45, of Granville-place, W., was charged at Marlborough-street with unlawfully wearing the uniform of a lieutenant of the R.N.V.R., and with possessing a firearm and ammunition without a certificate, and carrying a Colt pistol and a Browning pistol without a licence.

He was remanded on bail. Mr. Claude Hornby, defending, said the charges relating to the weapons stood or fell according to whether Streatfield was entitled to wear uniform or not.

Detective Smith said he understood that Streatfield had been employed on Admiralty work at the London Docks.

NAZIS FALSIFY OFFICIAL TURKISH DOCUMENTS

THE GERMAN NEWS AGENCY has produced some documents which, it alleges, show that the Turkish Government was conniving with the Allies for an attack on Soviet Russia. The Anatolian news agency has now issued a statement showing how the Nazis falsified a telegram from the French Ambassador in order to create this impression.

The German version of his telegram made it read that the attitude of the Turkish Government had advanced insofar as to face "the possibility of an offensive war against the Soviet." The actual word used was "defensive."

A further bulletin by the Anatolian news agency states that the German news agency admits this and attributes this and other discrepancies to "errors of translations."

The Anatolian news agency pertinently comments:—"Why should a semi-official agency, with access to the original French documents, prefer to translate them first into German and then back to French before issuing them?"

In this connection, it is worthy of note that such German tactics have a worthy precedent. Prince Bismarck tells in his memoirs how, being convinced that a war with France was essential for the success of his schemes, altered a telegram from the King of Prussia setting out details for a pacific settlement, so that (to use Bismarck's own words) they would act like a "red rag to the Gallic bull." The falsification provoked France into declaring war.—Reuter.

THE MANAGERMENTS of all British firms working for Government on war production will today receive an appeal to make the maximum use of skilled labour in the great arms speed-up.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without Portfolio, explained the object of the drive in a broadcast last night.

He said the appeal, signed by three Ministers, Mr. A. V. Alexander, Mr. Herbert Morrison and Lord Beaverbrook, would affect not only 9,000 war production factories but work people in many thousand others.

"In the last ten weeks," said Mr. Greenwood, "there has been a great speed-up in factories, and instead of having more workers than jobs we have now reached the point where in many types of skilled work we have more jobs than workers to fill them."

"We must do three things—First, great numbers of men and women must be trained for skilled and semi-skilled operations."

"Secondly, we will have to make sure no worker who is skilled is allowed to waste his skill on work of a lower grade than the highest he can do."

"Thirdly, we have to train unskilled or semi-skilled workers to more highly skilled work."

The Government were making the appeal to employers for co-operation in perfect confidence that it would be answered.

"As the appeal says, we can no longer think of personal profits or the future of a particular firm or industry. We must think of the nation's interest alone."—Reuter.

U.S. WAR ORDER

The U.S. War Department has awarded a \$20,000,000 contract for smokeless powder to the Du Pont de Nemours Company, says a Reuter telegram from Washington.

HOW MANY SPIES HAVE WE SHOT!

COLONEL HENEGE (CON. LOUTH) ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY HOW MANY PERSONS HAD BEEN SHOT FOR SPYING OR OFFENCES AGAINST THE STATE SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF WAR.

Mr. Law, Financial Secretary to the War Office, replied: "It is not in the public interest to publish information on this subject." Colonel Henega: Can he assure me that this matter is not being treated either with leniency or complacency to the persons concerned?

GOERING ON THE FUEHRER

Concluding the meeting of the Reichstag yesterday, Field-Marshal Goering paid a tribute to Hitler for restoring to the Reich its honour and greatness.

He added: "An heroic and unprecedented struggle is now over and another struggle, no less heroic, is ahead—dependent on whether the appeal to reason made by the Fuehrer to-day will be followed."—Reuter.

BURMA ROAD EMBARGO

A "Gazette Extraordinary" issued in Rangoon yesterday formally bans the export to China of articles mentioned in the Anglo-Japanese agreement.

Belief that traffic might be stopped at a moment's notice has caused a big fleet of Chinese lorries to race for the China border so as to be well across British territory by midnight, according to a telegram from Lashio.

Yesterday only a few lorries could be seen before the "Gazette" ban but a considerable amount of cargo remained and it would take months to clear it.

The South-West Transportation Company, carriers for the Chinese Central Government, announced they are to carry on as usual with articles not specified in the ban.

The manager stated in Rangoon yesterday: "We smelt the ban and managed to get most of the ammunition well away earlier. We haven't much now."—Reuter.

AT LEAST ELEVEN GERMAN PLANES SHOT DOWN

THE GERMANS LOST at least eleven planes around Britain during the 24 hours ending early yesterday evening, bringing the number of enemy planes definitely brought down to 138 for the past month and 212 in attacks on Britain since the beginning of the war. These figures do not include "probables" or those unlikely to reach home.

Two were brought down on Thursday night during attacks on rawlins in the Channel.

One was shot down by anti-aircraft fire from the trawler Rinovia, which sustained three casualties during the action, the other by an Avro Anson reconnaissance plane which boldly attacked the four M-110 twin-engine fighters. British fighters drove off the rest.

Four other planes were damaged during the night.

One bomber was officially reported brought down by fighters off the east coast and another off the south-east coast yesterday morning.

Another is believed to have been shot down into the sea off the East Coast of Scotland, while Hurricane fighters attacked a Henschel-126 army co-operation (or "spy") plane. This type of plane was seen for the first time off the British coast, and when last seen was flying low, with smoke pouring out of it and partly out of control.

Widespread Raids

Agency reports state that German planes were over several parts of the country yesterday, including Scotland, Wales, South-West, South-East and North-West, England.

One report says that six Nazi bombers unsuccessfully attacked a south-west town yesterday afternoon, dropping 30 bombs.

A little later, a strong formation of British bombers, with fighter escort, was seen flying out to sea, and explosions and the sound of machine-gun fire were heard from a distance later.

A building was hit in south-west Scotland, when one raider dropped eight bombs, causing some casualties.—Reuter.

GIFT BY SULTAN OF ZANZIBAR

The Sultan of Zanzibar, the Executive Council and the Finance Committee of Legislative Council have given £20,000 for the purchase of two fighters for the colonial air squadron.—Reuter.

GESTURE BY BRITISH GUIANA

The Legislative Council of British Guiana yesterday unanimously passed a resolution expressing the wish of all the inhabitants to relieve the British Government from giving them financial assistance during the war.

According to an official announcement in London, it waives any claim to reimbursement to His Majesty's Exchequer of £250,000 authorised as a grant to cover expenditure for special work this year, and any further contribution or payment from the Colonial Development Fund towards the cost of work now in progress.

Lord Lloyd, the Colonies Secretary, has replied that the offer affords yet another striking example of the unity of the Empire.—Reuter.

ANTI-WAR NUISANCE

Mrs. Edith Wheeler, 53, of High-road, Balham, S.W., fined £5 at the South-Western Court for telling a corporal and an air-craftman of the Auxiliary Air Force to lay down their arms because God would settle the world was told by the magistrate (Mr. Claud Mullins) that she must not make herself a nuisance by interfering.

ENTERTAINER HELD BY POLICE

Harry Cooper (36), of Regency Square, Brighton, a well-known entertainer at social functions in Brighton, has been detained under the Defence Regulations.

Mr. Cooper was formerly interested in a society for promoting friendship between Great Britain and Germany.

STERLING EXCHANGE CONTROL

While the official Sterling rate of 4.02 to 4.04 became operative in New York yesterday, free Sterling will be quoted for existing balances until they disappear.

Bankers in London are confident that the free rate will climb towards the official level after which it is expected free rates will no longer be possible.

In connexion with the new Treasury regulations for Sterling control, many American banks are reported to be arranging to open registered accounts.

Existing London overdrafts of non-residents must be repaid by August 31 or transferred to new accounts which will be repayable only in conformance with the new regulations.—Reuter.

RUMANIA DEMOBILISING TROOPS

It was officially announced in Bucharest last evening that further units of the Rumanian Army are to be demobilised.

It is understood this will affect between 150,000 and 200,000 men.

Reports of incidents on the frontiers with Hungary and Bulgaria are officially denied by the Rumanian War Ministry, which states that Rumanian troops who were sent to these frontiers have now been withdrawn and demobilised to help with the harvest.—Reuter.

ON THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

On the London Stock Exchange yesterday, home rails and gold minings were supported by local investors, but other sections of the market were mostly easier on lack of support.

Reports from Wall Street indicated that the New York Stock Market was steady.—Reuter.

BRITONS IN BUENOS AIRES SUBSCRIBE

The British Community Council at Buenos Aires yesterday sent £15,000 to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.—Reuter.

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HITLER'S LITANY OF SELF-PRAISE AND ULTRA-CONFIDENCE

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was looking after the reorganisation of the German forces.

"Bad weather in the last autumn and winter necessitated postponement of military operations."

"In order to secure Swedish ore the British and French were going to land in Norway and march into Sweden. We learned this from the uncontrollable verbosity of the First Lord of the Admiralty."

"Because of the news of German movements, Churchill ordered the disembarkation of the British troops."

Hitler described the invasion of Norway as "the boldest enterprise in German military history."

He continued: "Before the outbreak of war plans had been made for breaking through the Maginot Line but the necessity of some action against Belgium and Holland became evident."

Same Old Story

"There was a noticeable concentration of French troops on the frontier although few German troops were there. Careful observation compelled us to realise that an Anglo-French thrust was to be expected at the beginning of May."

"In contradiction to the plan of 1914, I arranged for operations to bear mainly on the left wing of the front, though ostensibly retaining the principles of the former plan."

"This operation, which included the destruction of the entire British expeditionary force, threw glorious light upon the German leadership!"

General Advance

"The operations were not taken in the first place with the object of taking Paris but with the object of forcing a way through to the Swiss frontier."

"These operations were crowned by the general advance of all the German armies. In the course of a few days complete mastery had been achieved and at no moment was it surrendered."

Hitler said the duties of his air force were to annihilate the enemy air force, to destroy enemy lines of communication and to land parachute troops. The success achieved would have been impossible without the army.

Hitler added: "All this would not have been possible were it not for the home front and more particularly the activities of the National-Socialist Party."

"I thank Ribbentrop and Goering. Goering's merits are unique and I confer on him the rank of Marshal of the Reich and award him the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross."

Many Promotions

Hitler mentioned six new Marshals, among whom were General von Brauchitsch and General von Reichenau. Three air force generals, including General Milch, were made Field-Marschals. General Keitel was promoted General Field-Marshal.

Hitler proceeded: "Ever since the commencement of the National-Socialist regime, two points have been foremost in its foreign programme: achievement of a real understanding and friendship with Italy and establishment of similar relations with Britain."

"I am still sorry that in spite of all my efforts I didn't succeed in establishing friendship with Britain which I think was desired by both peoples."

"I was not successful, in spite of all determination and honest effort, in gaining friendship with England."

"Since the rebirth of the German people it has only been from Italy that any voice of human understanding has reached us. From the very commencement of the war Italy has kept strong units of our enemy occupied."

Italy's Entry

"When the Duce conquered the moment had come to take up arms he did so of his own accord. Italy's entry into the war played a part in hastening France's recognition-

hat further resistance would be completely unavailing.

"Our efforts will be bound with the common victory."

"If I speak of the future it is not in a spirit of boastful vainglory. That I can completely leave to others who probably need it more than I, for example, Mr. Churchill."

"The course of the war has proved that I was right. When British statesmen say that Britain emerges stronger from disaster when I say we will emerge stronger from success."

"In military power the Reich is stronger to-day than even before."

"We had naturally prepared for very much heavier losses. The manpower of the nation which has been spared will strengthen the struggle for freedom."

Severe Trials

"Many divisions are being withdrawn from France and are returning to headquarters. The loss of arms is entirely negligible."

"The total amount of supplies for the army and air force is considerably greater than before our attack in the West."

"Thanks to the four-year plan, Germany is prepared for the most severe trials. We possess two most vital raw materials, coal and iron, in almost unlimited quantities. In addition there are tremendous possibilities presented by the acquisition of enormous spoils and the exploitation of territory acquired by us."

"Germany has at its disposal 200,000,000 persons."

"Thanks to measures adopted in time, food supplies are guaranteed, however long the war may last."

Reich And Russia

"Among the hopes of British politicians is a fresh estrangement between Germany and Russia."

"Britain's hope that she could, by bringing about a new European crisis and thereby better her own position, amounts as far as Russia is concerned to a false hope."

"Although I was convinced of the course events would take, I

nevertheless held out my hand to France and Britain."

"All my assurances that there was nothing to gain but all to lose were received with derision."

"I believe, however, that the French—of course not so much the guilty statesmen as the people—are beginning to think very differently."

Britain's Decision

"Britain is determined to go on with the war. From Britain I hear now only a single cry—a cry of the people but of politicians—the war must go on to the end."

"Only a few weeks ago Churchill said he wanted war. Only a few weeks ago he started air raids on civilians on the pretence of bombing military objectives."

"I have ordered hardly any reprisals but that does not mean that this will be my only reply. We all know full well that our reply, which will come one day, will bring the people endless suffering and misery, but not, of course, to Churchill, who will be in Canada!"

Mr. Churchill Advised!

"Churchill ought to believe me when I say that the great British Empire will be destroyed—an Empire which it was never my intention to destroy or harm."

"I do realise that if this struggle continues it can only end in the annihilation of one of us."

"Churchill thinks it will be Germany; I know it will be Britain."

"I am not a vanquished beggar for mercy. I speak as a victor."

"I can see no reason why this war must go on. We should like to avert the sacrifices which must claim millions."

"It is possible that Churchill will once again brush aside this statement of mine by saying that it is merely born of fear and doubt of victory. In that case I shall have relieved my conscience of the things to come!"—Reuter.

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GERMAN SHORTAGE OF LUBRICATING OIL: EXPERT VIEW

A BRITISH OIL EXPERT from Rumania pointed out in the "Yorkshire Post" yesterday that Germany is facing a serious shortage of lubricating oil which is the weakest point of all her war supplies. Ninety per cent of her imports from across the Atlantic are now cut off. Small quantities from Russia are extremely poor in quality and none arrives from Rumania.

Oil in captured German planes was of such poor quality that the Royal Air Force would never dream of using it.

Fifty per cent of Rumanian petrol is now freed for delivery to Germany but is not sent owing to transport difficulties.

Germany's lack of gasoline and lubricants is confirmed by the special correspondent of the New York "Herald-Tribune" who points out that since Hitler's campaign in the west, Russia is growing to fear Germany and has virtually stopped sending oil to Germany.

Owing to the state of railway traffic the Rumanian oil fields could not transport more than a maximum of 1,500,000 tons.

Italy, under the British blockade, restricts Germany's chance of obtaining foreign oil, but a war of planes and submarines demands a continuous supply of gasoline. — Reuter.

VOLUNTEER RANGE PRACTICE

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GERMANY'S EYE ON THE FAR EAST

(Special to "China Mail")

The Berlin correspondent of the Tokyo "Yomiuri Shimbun" sees a strengthening of the economic ties between Japan and Germany and a free hand for Japan throughout East Asia as result of the German "new order" in Europe.

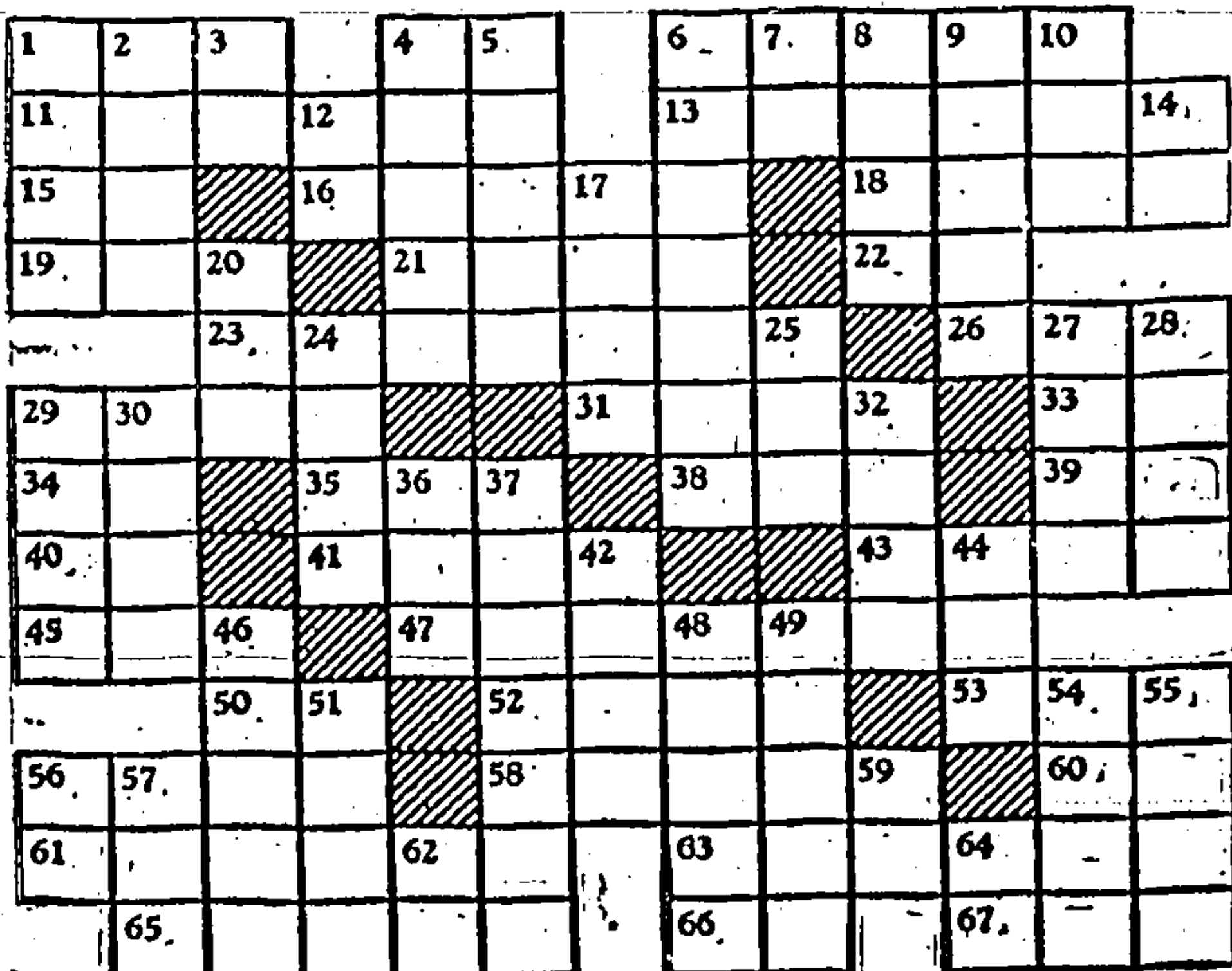
Asserting that Far Eastern questions are eagerly discussed in Berlin, although the Reich is concentrating her efforts on crushing Britain, the correspondent says German opinion claims Germany should have special rights over the Far Eastern possessions of the "vanquished" European powers, but the question is whether Germany will have sufficient surplus energy to deal with Far Eastern questions "after the conclusion of her war with Britain."

The despatch concludes by quoting German businessmen who are advocates of Japan-German co-operation; Japan would establish an economic bloc in East Asia similar to the bloc Germany wants to organise in Europe, with the two blocs bound together later for their mutual benefit.—Havas.

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- 16 Perhaps
- 18 Turkish regiment
- 19 Inlet
- 21 To urge
- 22 Exclamation
- 23 Perforated metal
- 26 Demure
- 29 Mixture
- 31 To be informed
- 33 Greek letter
- 34 French article
- 35 To burgle
- 38 Cereal grass
- 39 Hebrew name for God
- 40 Note of scale
- 41 Hindu garment
- 43 Baseball team
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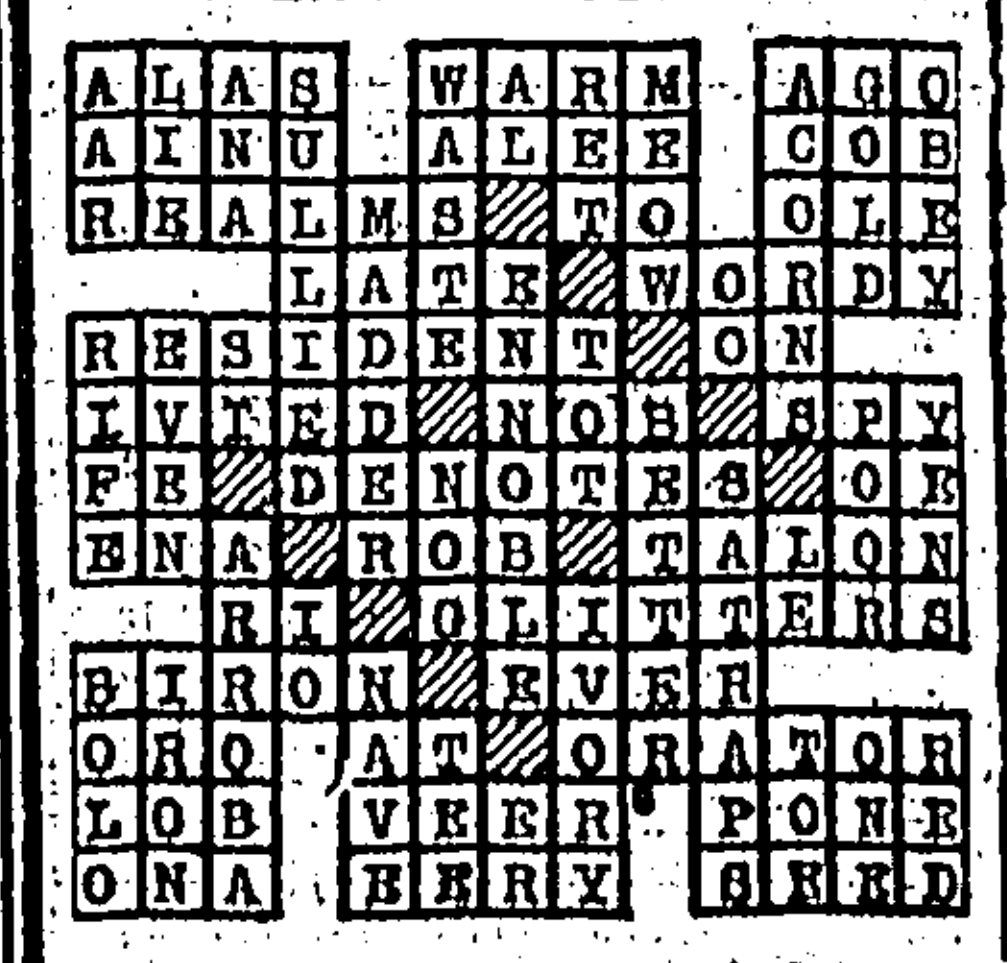
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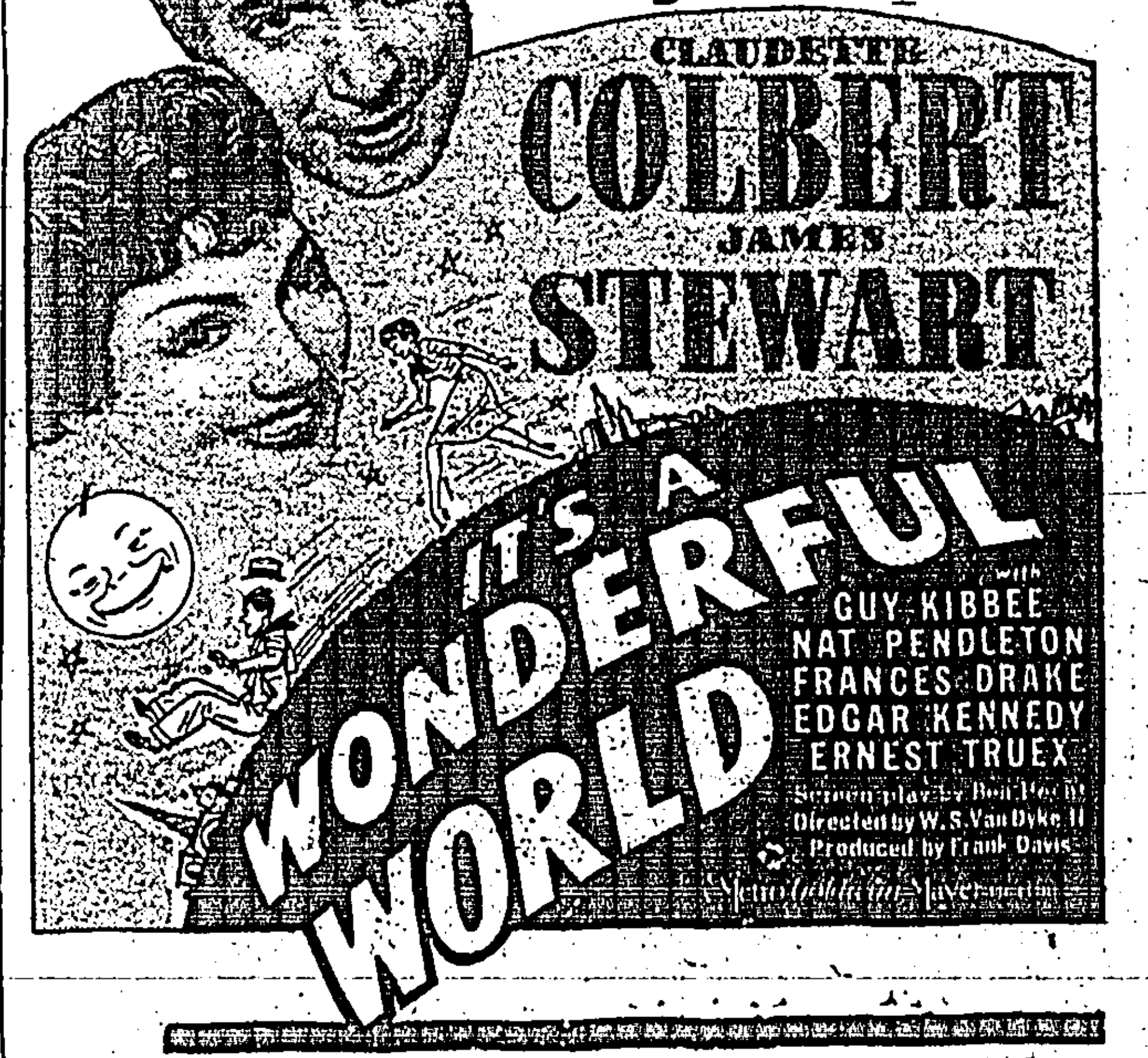
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- 14 Roman gods
- 17 German composer
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- 24 Craggy hills
- 25 To place
- 27 Prophetic sign
- 28 Christmas
- 29 Spanish cooking vessel
- 30 Meadows
- 32 To lease
- 36 Lout
- 37 Grazed
- 42 Mesopotamia
- 44 Doctrine
- 46 To throw
- 48 To habituate
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And yet not so many years ago Daventry, tucked away in the heart of the English midlands, was unknown to the world outside. A sleepy little place with a population of about one and a half thousand, it was content with its weekly livestock market and its small footwear trade. Its people, mostly farming folk, were untroubled by the rush and bustle of city life. Surrounded on all sides by green fields, rolling, tree covered hills it was almost the same Daventry that Victorians had known.

The coming of fame has not altered the appearance of this charming little English town. Its two main streets are still cobbled in parts. There are the family business, handed down from generation to generation, secure from the competition of the chain stores by virtue of the small population. Its inns are ancient and comfortable with their huge fireplaces and rafted roofs. Its people still talk of cattle and horses and sheep as they meet together on market day in the "Wheatsheaf" to finish off their deals.

Overlooking this peaceful scene, on Borough Hill, just outside the town, are the two giant masts of the Broadcasting station. Beneath them are the ugly, squat buildings and the mass of wires that make the words "wireless" a misnomer. From this hill, steeped in antiquity, one can see the countryside for miles around. Over on the left streams of heavy motor vehicles dash along on their way from London to the north. On the right may be seen the twelve giant masts of the Rugby G.P.O. radio station, the most powerful station in the world. In the distance may be seen one of Coventry's many spires.

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS
Nearer at hand are sleepy villages—Catesby, Naseby, Badby, Norton, Staverton and many others. What historical memories these conjure up. Daventry is steeped in history. At Catesby, for instance, the famous Gunpowder Plot was hatched. The conspirators, including Guy Fawkes himself and an ancestor of the Catesby family now resident there, met in a little room which still remains intact in the village. From here they wended their different ways to London where their plot failed.

The Wheatsheaf is Daventry's most famous hostelry. It was here that King Charles slept before the Battle of Naseby. A few years ago the room in which he stayed was renovated and the wooden panels on the walls were removed. Behind these were three priceless tapestries, all of which were proved to have been the property of the unfortunate monarch. They are now in London.

Even the radio station is built on history. When excavations were in progress prior to the erection of the station a complete Roman village was unearthed. Historians went into raptures of delight and people flocked from all over Britain to see the work of the ancient conquerors of Britain. Roman helmets, axes, spear-

heads, bows and earthenware were discovered.

Unfortunately the village still remains under the ground for the radio station had to be built and there was no other suitable site in the neighbourhood. Even to-day a walk around Borough Hill is well forth the exertion of climbing to the summit. One will be sure to find some relic of the ancient Romans, or even the Danes, for they, too, made their camps on Borough Hill during their invasion of England.

WAR NEWS

In the early days of the B.B.C. Daventry was used only for English programmes, replacing the old B.L.O. station in London and the one at Chelmsford. Many readers from Home will recollect the old "Daventry 5.X.X." and "Daventry 5.G.B." which later became the national and regional programmes respectively. With the erection of the latest station at Droitwich, Daventry was switched over to Empire programmes and its name became world famous.

From London the programmes are relayed by land lines to Daventry and from there they are flashed to all corners of the world every minute of the day and night. To-day with England at war Daventry's importance is greater than ever. Millions of Britons overseas eagerly await the news which it sends out as the war rages in Europe. And in the shadow of the masts sleepy, little Daventry carries on as it did centuries ago.

LORD BARNBY ENGAGED

The engagement is announced of Lord Barnby, the Yorkshire woollen manufacturer, and Miss Banning Grange, of Brynmawr, who is prominent in Philadelphia society.

Lord Barnby, who is fifty-six, was M.P. for South Bradford, 1918-1922. In the last war he was appointed Controller of Wool Supplies under the War Department after service in Egypt and at Gallipoli. He headed a trade mission to Japan, and this year he was appointed a member of the Central Electricity Board. —Reuter.

ASSAULT CHARGE DISMISSED

The charge of assault brought against Capt. M. Campbell of the mv. Norah Moller in a private prosecution instituted by Mr. K. A. Jenkins, chief engineer of the same vessel was dismissed by Mr. C. H. Haines in H. M. Police Court in Shanghai when the case came up for a second hearing. No order was made regarding costs.

Defendant was alleged to have struck Mr. Jenkins a blow on his face with a clenched fist on Monday last. Mr. K. E. Newman appeared for Mr. Jenkins while Mr. P. Watkin Williams representing defendant pleaded self-defence. He said that when defendant struck the chief engineer, he thought that Mr. Jenkins was going to strike him. Mr. Jenkins, counsel continued, grabbed him by the arm after jumping up on seeing him. Counsel submitted that this constituted a technical assault on defendant by Mr. Jenkins.

Captain Campbell in the witness-box said that Mr. Jenkins had disregarded every order he issued since he became master, and had taken the vessel into his own hands. Complainant he added, was abusive and had used vile language towards him.

WORDS IN MOLLAR OFFICE

Continuing witness said when he entered the office of Moller, Ltd., after the ship's arrival in port, Mr. Jenkins who was in the office remarked: "I see you have reported me, you witness said he then asked complainant to step into the corridor and repeat the statement, whereupon he said, Mr. Jenkins who was sitting down, jumped to his feet and grabbed hold of his arm. With his left arm witness added, he hit complainant in the face. He thought the chief engineer was out to attack him and he was not taking any chances. He could not imagine that complainant would be knocked out by the blow.

In arriving at his decision Mr. Haines said it was evident that the two men hated each other very bitterly. Their personal hatred he pointed out, had been disclosed very clearly in the evidence. The captain said he was under the impression he was going to be attacked. The only point to consider, Mr. Haines said, was whether the force was more than sufficient and if it was justified. Admittedly the blow was severe, but he thought that under all the circumstances, it was not struck with greater force than was necessary, having regard to the character of the two men. He was satisfied the captain expected to be assaulted, and struck the blow in self-defence.

ATTACK ON "THE OLD GANG"

MR. E. SHINWELL, LABOUR M.P., SPEAKING AT LIVERPOOL SAID THAT THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT WOULD ONLY SUCCEED IF IT SHOWED COURAGE IN MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES IN OUR INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE IN SPITE OF ALL TRADITIONS AND INTERESTS.

"I have the utmost confidence in the Labour members of the Government and have no doubt that the Prime Minister and several others will stand by them, but we are still saddled by some members of the old gang who are mainly responsible for the present position. There can be no sentiment or loyalty so far as they are concerned.

"If Hitler won we should suffer as we have never suffered before. Those who hug the simple illusion that Hitler would allow them to escape are mistaken."

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"ALARM OR DESPONDENCY"

Hong Kong's new defence regulation which threatens with heavy penalties any person found guilty of publishing comments on the war which are "likely to cause alarm or despondency," does not contain like its English counterpart any safeguards against frivolous prosecutions though it makes allowances for good intentions. It is the sort of regulation that needs to be most carefully administered. Though one psychological crime in war-time is the selection of every feature in events which can assist pessimism, another hardly less serious, is the kind of jocose optimism which refuses to face unpleasant facts. There is no doubt whatever that so far, we have shown a greater tendency towards the second crime than towards the first. That has not always been the fault of the public. To-day, however, they have no excuse to indulge in either excessive pessimism or in wishful thinking. The Prime Minister has treated them with consistent and courageous candour. Mr. Churchill rightly considers that the spirit of the British people is high enough for them to be told the unvarnished truth, and he tells it so soon as the telling can be of no profit to the enemy. Frankness in misfortune is by far the best way to produce resolution to overcome misfortune, for there is no surer way to breed "alarm and despondency" than to break to the public news of a reverse for which they have been left totally unprepared.

The Regulation is specifically designed not to apply to any servant of the Crown, who is, of course, precluded by other regulations from publishing news, good or bad, which may come into his possession. But it is also important that it should not apply to that class of responsible criticism which calls attention to deficiencies in our administration. Criticism of the conduct of the evacuation did not, and does not, emanate from alarmists. Criticism need never degenerate into recrimination, and it is far more constructive than dangerous.



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Pétain's Fatal Delusion

THOUGHT GERMAN ARMY, IF NOT HITLER, WOULD CONCEDE HONOURABLE TERMS.

On Saturday the representatives of the Bordeaux Government signed the treaty of armistice imposed by the German victor. In all haste they immediately left by air for Italy (in a German army aeroplane) in order to comply also with the terms of the Fascist Dictator.

Concerning the political developments in France during the last fortnight, Press despatches and articles, written in the appalling confusion of mass migration from Paris to Tours and from Tours to Bordeaux, have not told all. They have omitted much; from them, so far, no intelligible picture has emerged. This gap may perhaps be filled to a certain extent.

Why Was It All Surrendered?

There is no need to insist upon the causes which account for the extent of the disaster to the French army; the relevant facts have become fairly well known. Leaving aside French inferiority in aeroplanes and tanks, it is worth while to emphasise that the Maginot Line introduced into the military system an element of rigidity and that once that line had been outflanked, or pierced, the whole defence was bound to crumble.

In short, the Maginot Line had deprived the army of its mobility. It was not within its power to move and to reform elsewhere. It failed to hold the ground between the Somme, the Oise and the Aisne, its fate was sealed.

But when the army in the north and in the north-east had fallen to pieces, France nevertheless remained with a navy practically intact, with an African empire full of troops and quite able to look after itself, and with a gold reserve placed in good time out of the reach of the invader. Thus, the French Government was in a position to continue the fight by the side of the British Empire. (as M. Paul Reynaud indicated) and to fulfil the commitment entered into on March 28 never to sign a separate peace. How is it that those assets have been surrendered?

"Cultivating" Reichswehr

The answer is that Marshal Pétain, President of the Council, and General Weygand, Minister of War and Commander-in-Chief, have been unduly impressed by the following considerations:

They have refused to believe that public opinion could be won to the idea that resistance ought to be indefinitely prolonged even though the enemy should occupy practically the whole country.

They have laboured under the delusion that to sign an armistice with the Germans would give France a chance to restrict the zone of German occupation and to spare a great part of the people the cruel necessity of living under

the control of the enemy.

Further they have imagined that, apart from the German and French Governments, there survived, above all frontiers, a brotherhood of generals and military leaders which might be used so as to get relatively moderate terms, the reward of courage shown on the battlefield.

In that spirit, 22 years ago, Marshal Foch, perhaps, gave up the idea of invading Germany. Many times in the past 20 years Marshal Pétain has shown clearly that he regarded the leaders of the Reichswehr as brothers-in-arms whose personal feelings and sense of dignity ought to be respected.

It may be recalled that in May, 1935, Pétain, who was sent to Cracow to attend the funeral of Pilsudski, eagerly took the opportunity of ingratiating himself with Goering, notwithstanding the fact that Goering could not be regarded as a typical product of the Reichswehr.

Marshal Pétain and Gen. Weygand during the last few days have steadily ignored the fact that the Reichswehr High Command is no longer a State within the State, but has been turned into a branch of the Nazi machinery of Government, and that it is bound punctiliously to carry out the Fuehrer's orders; and that, consequently, no pledged word of the German Command will be of any value against Hitler's orders, and the convention of armistice cannot be regarded as a guarantee against any further encroachment upon French sovereignty which Hitler may deem useful to pursue his plans against Britain.

The occupation of France by Germany will hardly differ from what it would be if no treaty of Armistice had been signed.

In withstanding the exacting requirements of the invader, the Bordeaux Government which has signed the armistice will prove much more helpless than a Government which had found shelter in Northern Africa. The plan which Paul Reynaud had in mind only last week provided for the Government taking refuge there.

Weygand's Groundless Fears
The most grievous error of the Pétain-Weygand Cabinet is not to

have realised that, henceforward, the independence of their country could only be established by the eventual victory of the British Empire, backed by the rest of the Anglo-Saxon world and that, in consequence, whatever help could be given to them should take precedence over everything else.

Such are the lines of the endless ministerial discussions which began on June 11 when the French Government, still headed by Paul Reynaud, was transferred to Tours (long selected as the temporary capital) and ended on June 23 at Bordeaux, when the British proposal for a complete fusion of the British and French Governments was rejected by 14 votes to 10.

A feature of those discussions deserves to be underlined. In Tours, on June 13, Gen. Weygand argued that Communism was rampant in Paris and said that

By A Special Correspondent lately in France, who has been in a position to make a close study of the French political situation in the past few weeks.

Thorez, leader of the Communist party which was dissolved last September, had already succeeded in seizing the Elysee. Needless to say the report was quite inaccurate. M. Georges Mandel, the energetic Minister of the Interior, who was in continuous touch over the telephone with the Prefet de Police, M. Langeron, at once exposed it as groundless.

This incident shows that preoccupation with maintaining France's social tranquillity, and repressing subversive movements weighed heavily with the two aged soldiers, and that they did not see the situation in its true perspective.

Once more the vision of social revolution deterred French policy

(as has been so often the case since 1935) from an accurate appraisal of what Hitlerism meant and was going to mean for their country.

As late as last Thursday the policy of the Bordeaux Government could not yet be said to have been finally determined.

Last Minute Indecision

The heavy bombing, which lasted several hours on Wednesday, and seemed to be directed against the residence of the President of the Republic rather than against the quays and the wharves along the River Garonne, or any other conceivable military objective, swung the pendulum.

The Government was about to leave for Perpignan, close to Port Vendres, from which point Northern Africa can be easily reached. An official statement was even issued to that effect. The intention, however, did not last more than a few hours. Then the forces working for the conclusion of an armistice finally prevailed.

It had to be realised that, among France's leaders, no energetic champion of the doctrine of "guerre a outrance" was forthcoming, though it would be unfair not to mention that M. Georges Mandel, Minister of the Interior, was ready to play that part. In that critical period he put up a magnificent fight; he showed no weakness at any time. But, being of Jewish origin, he probably felt he could not possibly match the influence of the Marshal and of the General or fully represent the Clemenceau tradition.

Frenchmen Will Awake

It is ironical to reflect that Marshal Pétain, Gen. Weygand and M. Paul Baudoin, the Foreign Minister, were put in office by Paul Reynaud himself, a month ago, when he was seemingly all-powerful. Is it to be inferred from that that the Prime Minister was not as wholehearted or as uncompromising as he sounded and that, already, the seeds of a very different policy had begun to germinate? No: Paul Reynaud only believed that it was necessary to take certain bold measures which were overdue—including the dismissal of Gen. Gamelin—and that it was desirable to call in men enjoying great prestige or ranking among his opponents and critics. He had no doubt that he would quickly absorb them. Then military defeat gave such a turn to the political situation that the opponents and critics found a chance which would never otherwise have been theirs.

Whatever happens in the near future, France will not easily be changed even superficially into a totalitarian country.



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Toll Of The War In The Air

MANG DIFFERENT estimates have been given of the number of aircraft which Germany has lost since the invasion of Norway and the Low Countries.

It has been said, for instance, that in the four weeks of air war in and around Norway 138 German aircraft were destroyed and ninety-seven damaged, while forty-nine Allied aircraft were lost.

On the Western Front statistics published in the French papers stated to have been communicated to the German Air Ministry give a total loss between the invasion of the Low Countries and May 17 as 1,060 aeroplanes.

It is further stated that 1,522 pilots were lost in the same period. Total losses for German aviation since the opening of hostilities have been estimated at 2,230 aeroplanes. The rate of loss, according to official figures, now averages about forty a day.

FIGURES AND FACTS

It is, of course, impossible to judge how near these figures are to the facts, but there is ample evidence that the wastage rate of the German air force has been a great deal higher than the wastage rate in the Allied air forces. The German air force has been on the offensive. The Allied air forces have been partially on the offensive and partially on the defensive, so that a higher wastage rate in the German air force might have been expected. But that it should be so much higher is certainly noteworthy.

It seems that the Germans have been using a fairly large concentration of aircraft, and in the battle of the Maas, it is said that they had 5,000 machines at their disposal. They have not shown any tendency to conserve their aircraft any more than they have shown any tendency to conserve their man power or their machine power on the ground. They have hurled vast numbers of aircraft into the battle.

This very fact of concentration of forces has made the task of the Allies more difficult, so that the favourable balance of losses must be looked upon as exceptionally promising. The great numbers of enemy machines do not seem on any point to have outbalanced the superior technical quality of the Allied machines.

OUR NEW FIGHTERS

Recently came the report of perhaps one of the most astonishing battles of the air war in which a large number of the latest type of German bombing aeroplanes, namely, the Junkers-Ju. 88, escorted by Messerschmitt fighters, were tackled by a relatively small formation of Boulton Paul Defiant turret fighters accompanied by Hawker Hurricane single-seat fighters, with the result that twenty-two enemy aircraft were shot down for certain without the loss of a single British machine.

The Boulton Paul Defiants had their greatest success when twelve of them shot down thirty-seven enemy machines without loss to themselves. It seems as if the theory of the turret fighter is being justified in a sensational manner.

Whatever allowances should be made for false estimates—and it is obvious to everyone that the conditions of air combat to-day are such that accurate observation cannot be expected from any pilot taking part—it remains true that the German losses must be very much higher than the Allied losses. That is a most encouraging sign.

It may be true that Allied production is not yet great enough to give quickly an overwhelming superiority in numbers, but the achievements of parity will be the first step, and as the output of British machines and the reception of American machines and machines built in the Dominions is increasing day by day, parity will be followed at a brief interval by a gradually mounting superiority.

TECHNICAL SUPERIORITY

It is accepted that Allied machines are superior in technical quality to the German machines. It would therefore be remarkable if German losses were not higher than Allied losses. Technical superiority has been known since the beginning of air fighting to ensure a higher loss rate in the enemy.

Another point to be noted is that if the German claims were to be accepted the Allied air forces must be bigger than the Allies themselves thought they were.

On the whole then the evidence contained within the figures themselves, the knowledge of the conditions for air fighting as it was



Joel McCrea and Brenda Marshall, new star discovery, who star in "Espionage Agent."

BRITISH TROOPS IN FAROES

**Living On Whale Meat
And Playing Football**

THE BRITISH TROOPS IN THE FAROE ISLANDS—WHICH WERE OCCUPIED AFTER THE NAZI INVASION OF DENMARK—ARE LIVING ON A DIET OF WHALE MEAT AND PLAYING REGULAR FOOTBALL MATCHES WITH THE ISLANDERS.

On the very day that a German announcer at Bremen stated in Danish that the islanders were resisting the British "with rifles in their hands," the first Anglo-Faroe soccer match took place—and, incidentally, the islanders won.

Last year was a record one for whaling, so there are liberal stocks of salted whale-meat for the islanders and their visitors alike—Reuter.

and is, and the fact that British pilots are always advised to be cautious in their claims, mount up to give a solid basis for full belief in the fact that the German air losses have been enormously greater than the Allied and probably something of the order of three or four to one.

TRIBUTE TO GROUND STAFFS

In examining the air wastage rates of Germany, tribute must be paid to the unremitting service of all the ground workers upon whom the air effort of the Royal Air Force is founded.

No praise can be too high for the work of the fitters, riggers, armourers, radiomen, and all those other tradesmen and aircraft hands who have been keeping the Royal Air Force in the air. It has been accompanied by great difficulties often of an unexpected kind; but the work has gone on and its high quality has been maintained. The brilliant achievements of the Royal Air Force in the air have their foundations well laid in the tireless service of the staffs on the ground.

AIR RAID SURPRISE FOR NAZIS

Berlin Radio has broadcast an admission that British air raids over Germany recently had been so sudden and unexpected that there was no time to give an air raid warning.

The announcer tried to explain that the British planes were raiding areas where there were no military objectives. People should not wait for warnings, he said, but should take cover as soon as they heard the anti-aircraft guns.

"In future," he said, "air-raid warnings will not be sounded in large areas. Work is to continue until anti-aircraft fire is heard. Then you must seek shelter."

On the night that Berlin was raided, it was added, British planes dropped 26 high-explosive bombs over Duisburg, on the Rhine, and 30 incendiary bombs over Bielefeld, 40 miles east of Munster, destroying three houses and setting fire to others. At Duisburg a school building was severely damaged.

NAZI PLOT IN URUGUAY

**A Fully Documented
Exposure**

A LETTER FROM THE GERMAN MINISTER, PUBLISHED IN ALL THE MONTVIDEO NEWSPAPERS, WHICH FLATLY DENIED THE EXISTENCE OF A NAZI PLOT AGAINST URUGUAY OR ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ITS ALLEGED LEADER, FUHRMANN, HAS BEEN FOLLOWED BY A FULLY DOCUMENTED EXPOSURE OF THE PLOT IN EL DIA THAT LEAVES NO FURTHER ROOM FOR DOUBT.

The numbers and disposition of the forces required, the help expected from Nazis in Argentina and Southern Brazil, the time needed for the campaign and plans for the subsequent confiscation of State and privately owned land are all given in detail.

Public demonstrations reflect the country's indignation. They are quite orderly, but the people are demanding strong action by the Government.

FASTER WORK AT DOCKS

New methods for the quicker "turning round" of ships have been devised by Mr. Bevin, Minister of Labour. He has altered the flying squad arrangements which he was largely responsible for making in October, and under which a mobile corps of dockers was formed to move from port to port according to shipping exigencies.

The loading and discharging of vessels, although considerably speeded up, was not fast enough for him. Through an agreement with port authorities and dockers' representatives he is dividing the country into four regions, with headquarters at London, Liverpool, Newcastle and Edinburgh.

All dock labour in each of these regions will be available for work in any port within the region. If the situation demands it, dockers will be transferred to ports outside their region.

BOMB IN U.S. TRAIN

A high explosive aerial bomb has been found in a Pullman car of a Washington-New York train. This was disclosed in New York yesterday.



Laurence Olivier, sensation-
al star of "Wuthering Heights",
is coming to the King's
Theatre in Columbia's "Clouds
Over Europe", with Valerie
Hobson. Ralph Richardson is
also featured in the new film,
a gay comedy romance with a
Scotland Yard background.

BOMBERS MISSED OBJECTIVES

THE GERMAN AIR OFFEN-
SIVE AGAINST BRITAIN
AIMS NOT ONLY AT INFLECT-
ING MATERIAL DAMAGE BUT
ALSO AT IMPAIRING OUR IN-
DUSTRIAL MORALE OVER
LARGE AREAS.

This was the enemy's policy in
the last war, when it was proved
that industrial efficiency declined
for some hours after a night of
raids.

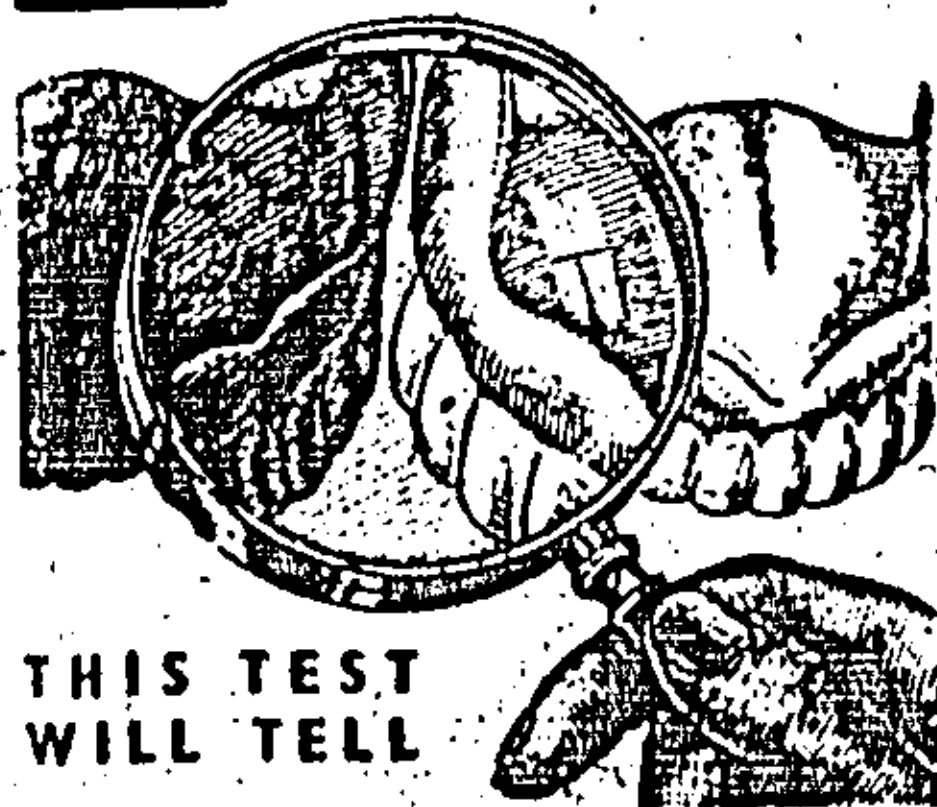
In night conditions R.A.F.
fighters have had a degree of
success which was in close accord
with the expectation of Service
experts. In daylight raids the
enemy would suffer much more
heavily.

So far it is impossible to escape
the conclusion that enemy bomb-
ers are inferior to those of
the R.A.F. The failure of the
Germans to place their bombs
anywhere near two objectives
obviously aimed at, is striking
and encouraging. Damage in
the military sense has been
negligible.

IT COMES FROM THE ENEMY

Warning that the Nazis are
still attempting to deceive Brit-
ish listeners by the use of a
station calling itself "the New
British Broadcasting Station,"
was given yesterday by the
B.B.C., who added that the sta-
tion is in Germany and issues
only enemy broadcasts.

HOW CLEAN ARE your false teeth?



1. Give your dentures
your customary "cleaning"
treatment, and then
examine them carefully.
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the day you first got them—and keep them that
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blackest tobacco stains of years' standing, vanishes
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THE ENGLISH SPIRIT

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His anger of blind armaments for this—
That every valued virtue and guarded joy
Might grieve bewildered by a bombed abyss—
The ghosts of those who have wrought our
English Past

Stand near us now in unimpassioned ranks
Till we have braved and broken and over-
cast

The cultural crusade of Teuton tanks.
SIEGFRIED SASSOON:

MOBILE "HOSPITALS" PLAN FOR FACTORY INJURED

IT IS SAFE to expect that the Royal Commis-
sion on Workmen's Compensation will recommend
radical changes in the law.

The weight of evidence for such changes is very
great already, and it cannot be ignored.

But some time must pass be-
fore the Commission is ready to
report, and doctors who were
heard made out a strong case for
immediate action in some direc-
tions.

They were not content to ad-
vocate better facilities for treat-
ing industrial casualties, but
they showed that the war-time
conditions made reform urgent.

Perhaps Mr. Bevin's new Fac-
tory and Welfare Board will con-
sider this, for it is closely linked
with industrial welfare.

DOCTORS' CASE

Many of the bigger industrial
concerns already have facilities
for prompt treatment of casual-
ties as well as the simple first-
aid provisions.

Many more could, no doubt,
be required to do the same
thing.

But there is a strong case for
the doctors' suggestion of mo-
bile units always ready at hos-
pitals to be rushed out to works
accidents.

Manned by a specially qualified
surgeon and nurse, such a unit
could give prompt treatment on
the spot instead of the patient
having to wait until taken to
hospital.

This would be specially valu-
able in the case of small work
and factories, which could not
well be expected to employ full-time
surgeons and nurses.

MORE MONEY

The Royal Commission heard
witnesses from the British Medi-
cal Association.

They bluntly told the Commis-
sion that the amounts of
compensation must be raised.

But, like so many other wit-
nesses, these doctors insisted that
the old attitude to the treatment
of the injured must be changed.

"It is necessary," they said,
"not merely to pay compen-

sation to a disabled workman,
but to ensure adequate facilities
for the restoration of his earning
capacity."

This problem of skilled hospital
treatment and proper measures
of rehabilitation has already been
pressed on the Commission's at-
tention by the Trades Union Con-
gress in collaboration with the
B.M.A.

NAZI HAUL OF GOLD

It is estimated in New York
that the amount of French gold
believed to have fallen into Ger-
man hands may exceed £450,-
000,000. This includes £150,-
000,000 which is supposed to have
been sent to Paris from Belgium.

Whether the vaults of the Bank
of France have been flooded—
which would prevent the invaders
laying hands on the bullion re-
serves for several months—is not
known.

STEEL HELMET SAVED HIM IN FIRE

When Lance-corporal Philip
Walker arrived home on leave
at his father's hotel in Dover he
learned that fire had broken out
on the top floor.

He mobilised waiters and guests,
many in dressing gowns, into a
fire-fighting team, and hoses and
stirrup pumps were used. By
the time the fire brigade arrived,
the blaze was under control.

Lance-corporal Walker had just
put on his steel helmet when the
ceiling fell on top of him. The
helmet saved him from injury.

INFERIORITY OF THE NAZI 'PLANES

A TIMELY ANTIDOTE to the gloomy predic-
tions of those American commentators who in the
past few days have practically interred the British
Empire was provided by Major Alexander Seversky,
the famous aircraft designer.

In a broadcast talk he gave
his reasons for believing that
Hitler will fail to conquer Brit-
ain.

"We all know that numerically
Germany possesses the greatest
air force in the world to-day,"
he stated, "but over the British
Isles proper the British have the
advantage over the Germans due
to the superior performance of
their pursuit planes."

"The German bombers avoid
meeting Britain's fighters in open
daylight combat because, through
experience they know that their
losses would be terrific."

"What is more, such British
defensive superiority will con-
tinue until Hitler's planes are
able to engage British defen-
sive aviation on equal or superi-
or terms, which certainly will
not be for some months, per-

"Germany must first produce a
lot of new types of long-range
pursuit planes, and that is not
done overnight."

"As long as this defensive
supremacy holds good Britain
cannot be blockaded by Ger-
many."

STRIKE TO WIN

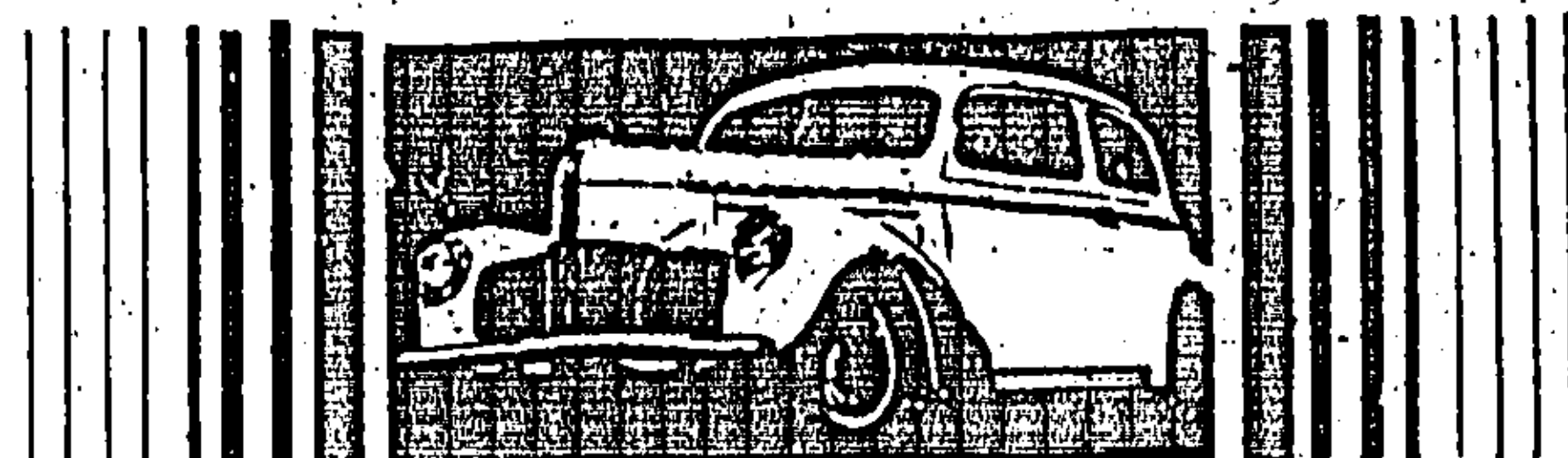
"But, of course, defensive tac-
tics in themselves cannot win
wars. Britain will win out only
if she can strike Germany at its
heart by destroying its industrial
and production facilities and air
bases. To do that Britain must
develop a new air strategy carried
out by entirely new types of air-
craft."

"The American contribution to
the British side of the duel is
vital. Our American aviation
may easily help to sway the
balance between victory and de-

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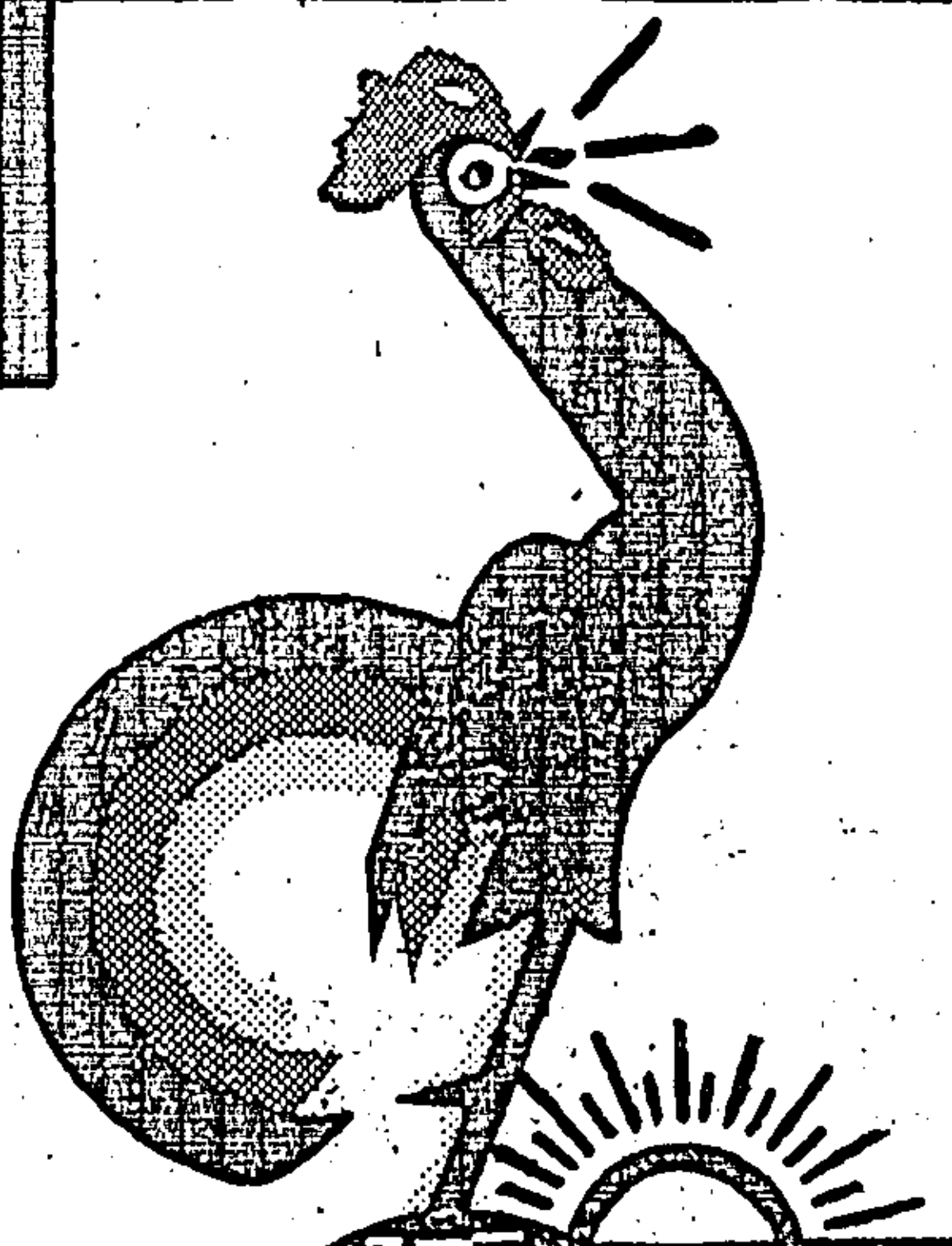
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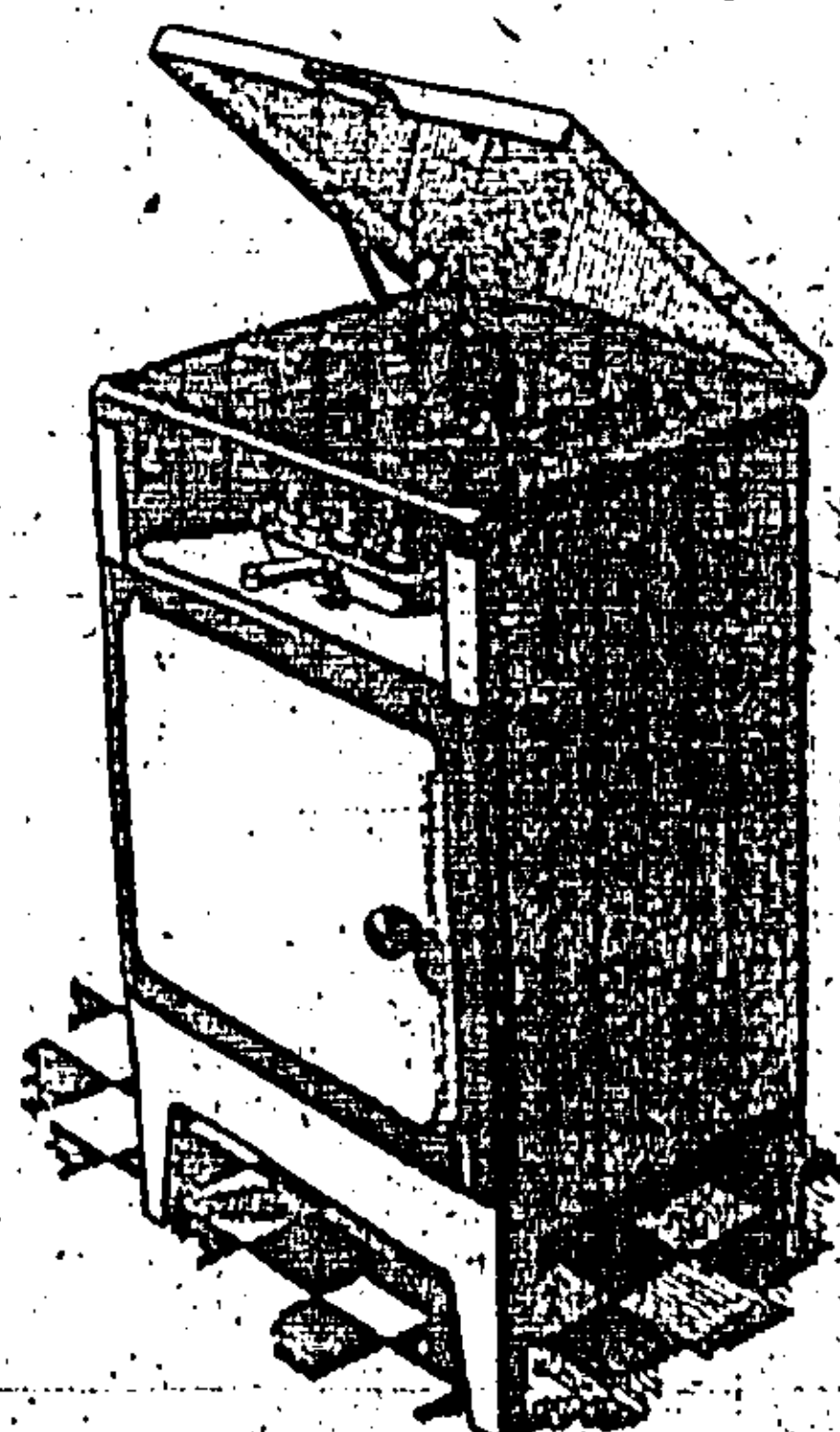
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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
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			N. S. E. W.			
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2319.	Castle Peak Road between Wing Lung Street and Tonkin Street, Cheung Sha Wan.	As per sale plan	About 49,500	\$604	\$97,125

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			N. S. E. W.			
3	Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 274.	Windsor Street, Hung Hom, adjoining Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 241.	As per sale plan	About 300	\$16	\$1,800

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WINNING CONTRACT

(By The Four Aces)

WHAT WENT WRONG?

"Please tell us what went wrong," writes T. L. of New York. "Eleven tricks are colder than my landlord's heart but we didn't get to game. One of us was chicken-hearted—but which one?"

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ 9 6 5 2
♥ K 10 6 3
♦ 7 6 5 3
♣ 6

♠ A Q J 10
♥ 7 3
♦ Q J 8 2
♣ 7 3

♠ 8
♥ J 9 4
♦ 10 9 4
♣ K J 10 9

♠ K 4
♥ A Q 8 5 2
♦ A K
♣ A Q 8 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	1♠	Pass	2♣
Dbl.	2♠	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	3♥	Pass

As long as we're asked to fix the blame, we cast one unanimous vote for North.

South's bidding fairly shrieked that he had a big hand and that he needed North's assistance in choosing between a part score and a game. North at no time indicated that he held anything but thirteen ill-assorted spot-cards.

It's true that North cannot quite muster up a free heart raise over West's one-spade overcall but the hand is so fine in support of hearts that he should hope for a chance to bid later on.

That chance is offered when South doubles two clubs. South thereby shows a strong hand and North should bid three hearts right over West's two spades. South would then go to game.

If North neglects this opportunity and South still persists with another double, North should bid four hearts rather than three hearts. North's actual bidding would be sound if he had about three small hearts in a worthless hand.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and vulnerable against non-vulnerable opponents. You held:

♠ K 10
♥ Q 3 2
♦ —
♣ A K Q J 10 9 8 3

The bidding:

You	Burton	Schenken	Maier
1♠	1♠	2♣	2♠
(?)			

ANSWER: Bid four clubs. Mr. Maier's bid relieves you of responsibility, so even three clubs



CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST LESSON SERMON

LESSON SERMON—

"SUBJECT: LIFE"

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow, July 21 will be "Life".

The Golden Text will be: This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND AND PACIFISM

The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland at Edinburgh, rejected Pacifism by an overwhelming majority.

Dr. J. Hutchison Cockburn, of Dunblane Cathedral, said that the Church and Nation Committee had decided that the military defeat of Germany was the prime and absolute necessity if liberty, justice, and the rights of human personality were to be preserved.

would show extra values. The jump to four clubs can mean only that you have a long and absolutely solid club suit.

Score 100% for four clubs, 40% for three clubs, 0% for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 467

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner, vulnerable against non-vulnerable opponents. You hold:

♠ —
♥ A K 7 4
♦ A K 6 5 4
♣ A 7 6 5 2

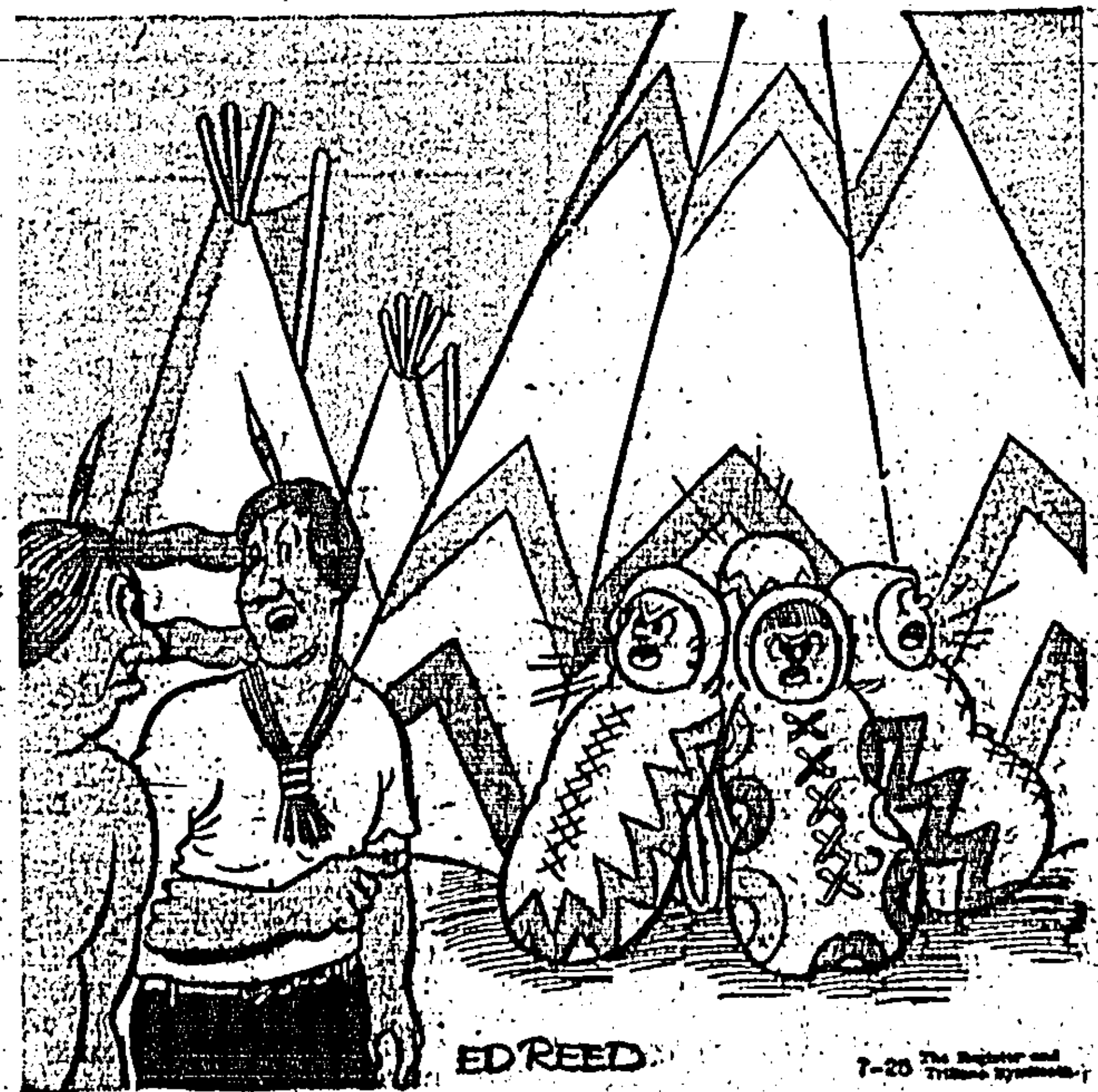
The bidding:

Jacoby	Burton	You	Maier
1♠	1♠	2♣	2♠
4♠	4♠	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)
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By ED REED.



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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Beauty Tricks

This is the time of the year when the skin of your body requires special lubricating to keep it soft. The heat is robbing your skin of its natural oils and uncomfortable chapping and other irritations begin to trouble you.

If you are a wise beauty, you will catch rain water, strain it and boil it for face shampoos. I know of no cosmetic which adequately counteracts the disastrous effects of hard water on face skin. There are many helpful softeners for bath water in liquid and powder formulas, and you should keep one of them on hand.

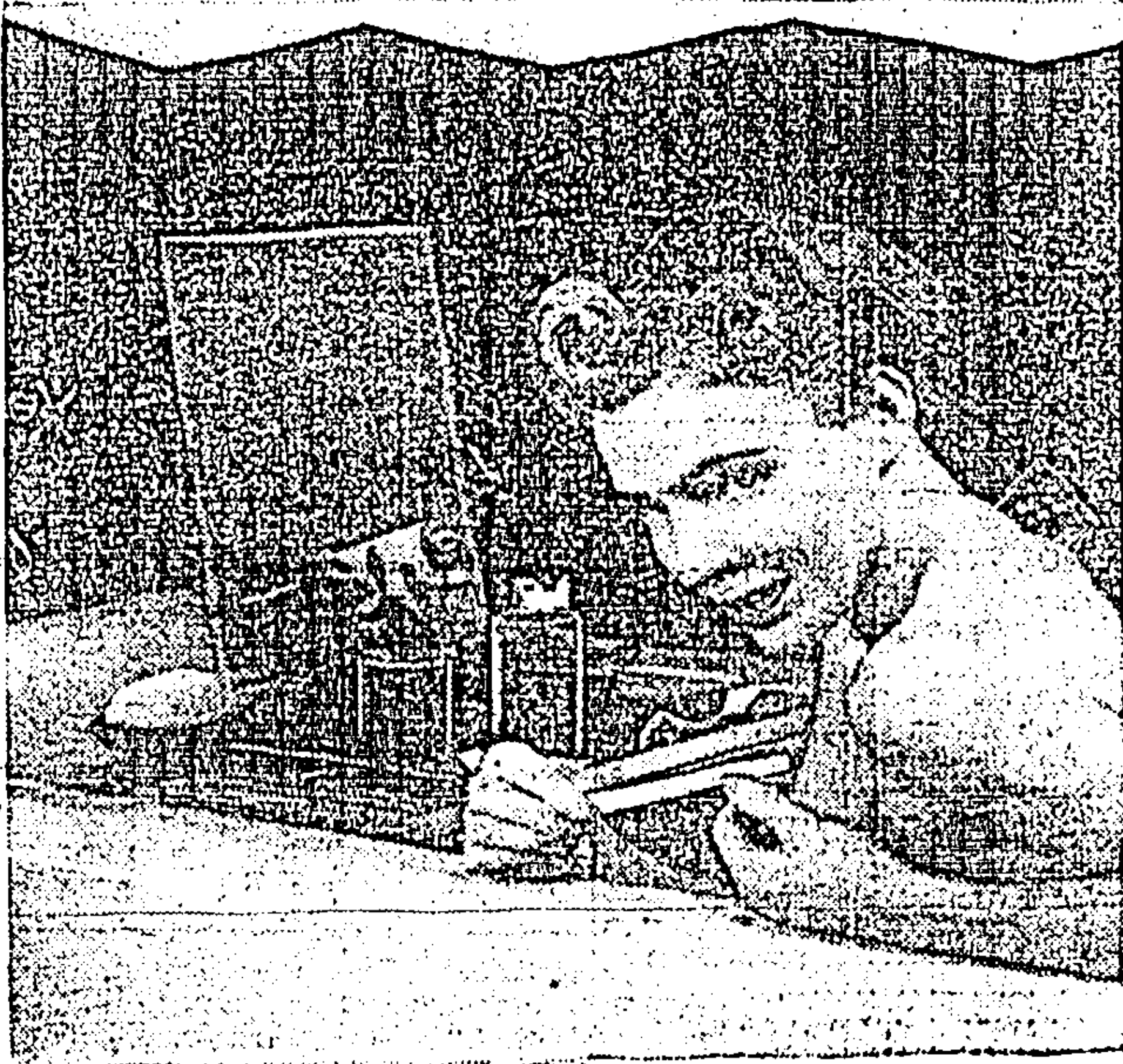
OTHER SKIN SOFTENERS

Many of the stars in the movie colony anoint themselves all over with a bath lotion which contains softening oils, before they get into the tub. Thus the heat of the bath water opens the skin pores and also melts the lotion. If one does not scrub too much with soap, while bathing, enough of the lotion remains on the skin to keep it soft and nicely scented. A brisk towel rubbing and lavish powdering makes one feel fragrant and fresh as a daisy.

It is a good idea not to use much cologne on your skin especially if it contains a high percentage of alcohol. It is all right to spray it all over your skin providing you have first massaged your skin with a mild, non-sticky lubricant.

AN EASY METHOD

For busy beauties the simplest way of keeping the skin adequate-



Catch up on your special little beauty tricks while you enjoy a tub fragrant with bath friction and a complexion-saving soap companion.

ly lubricated is to rub it well with a cream or lotion after you have taken a bath. Be sure to select one which dries fairly quickly and

does not leave beads of oil on your skin. A well-informed sales-girl at your cosmetic counter can help you in making a nice selection from the many bath lotions and creams which are available for your choice.

If your skin is very dry you should take to using a bath oil in your tub water. Good oils, richly scented are a great joy, and they are not a luxury when you consider the delight you get while relaxing in nicely scented water, and what benefit the oil is to your skin. If you travel you should always carry a bottle of bath oil for softening hard water which you most certainly will find in many places.

Take special precaution to massage your feet, ankles, elbows and hands with a richer cream before hopping into bed. The soap you use for bathing should be bland—in fact a rich cold cream soap is an added precaution.

WOMAN DOCTOR WINS ACTION

Judgment was entered in the King's Bench Division, with costs, for Dr. Irene Kenworthy Gayus, of Queen's Gate, S.W., in a slander action brought by two sisters who had conducted maternity homes—Miss Frances Ella Buckley, of Hogarth gardens, Heston, and Mrs. Jane Brookes, of Uxbridge-road, Hanworth Park, Feltham.

There had been a previous trial of the action—in February last year—when each of the plaintiffs was awarded £400. Dr. Gayus took the case to the Court of Appeal, who ordered a new trial.

ABSENT AT 1 A.M.

Two Norwegian sailors, Martin Amundsen, 44, and John Johannessen, 30, pleaded guilty at Marlborough-street Police Court to being absent from their residence at 1.10 a.m.

The Magistrate, Mr. Boyd, discharged them under the Probation of Offenders Act.

Stretching To Grow Taller

The shorties in the world want to know how to grow taller, so here are a few excellent suggestions.

As I have told you countless times, good posture can add an inch to your height.

Correct posture is not ungainly and is not stiff. It is rhythmic and beautiful—it should be graceful, simple and easy. Accentuate the beautiful lines of your body and you will find yourself in the correct posture automatically. Keep your shoulders back but not tensely—relax them. Lengthen the line between your chin and waist line by growing tall, with chin in and chest out. Keep your buttocks tucked under, and hold your abdomen in. The balls of your feet should be the centre of balance and you should be ready to spring forward at a moment's notice. Standing thus you are at full height.

STRETCHING EXERCISES

To stretch abdominal wall and neck:

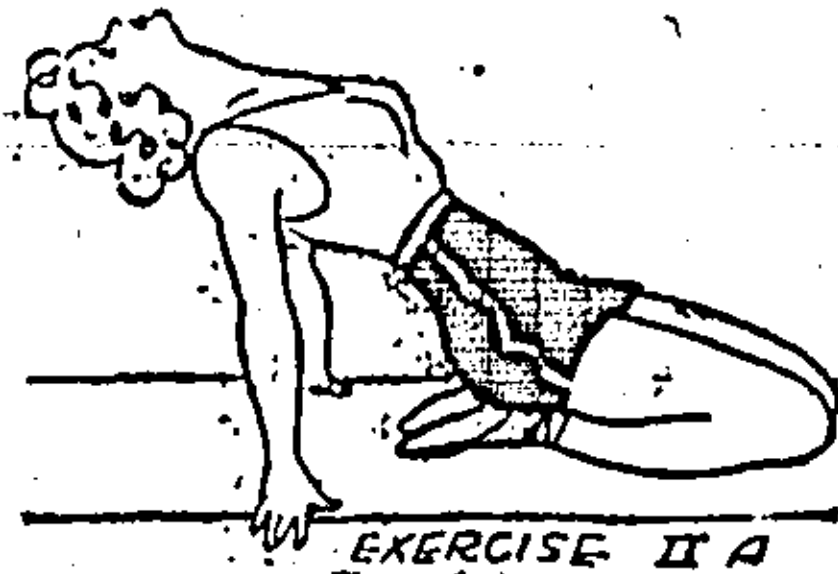
Stand firmly on your feet with balance of the body on the balls of the feet. Place the palms of both hands over the buttocks, and then throw your head backwards. Slide the hands down the back of your legs slowly, as you lean back as far as possible. To keep your balance, bend your knees, pushing the lower part of your body forward.

Note: stretch of hip area, upper abdomen and throat. Return slowly to position; relax, and repeat exercise. Five times in all.

EXERCISE II

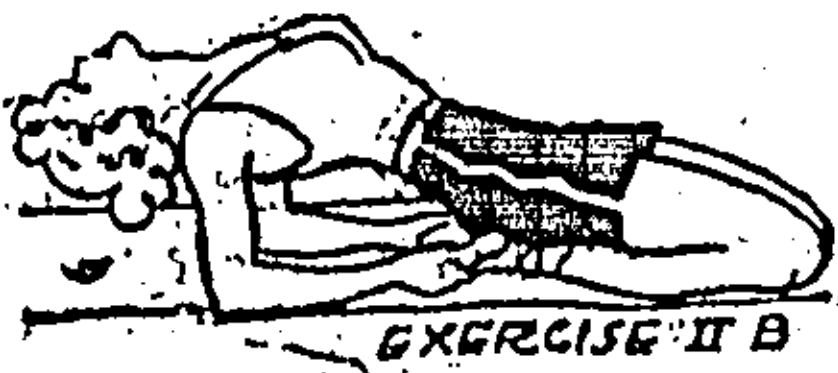
Through the above exercise, and the one following, you may slim your waistline, develop your shoulders normally and strengthen your pectoral muscles. It also corrects faulty posture.

Women with fatty deposits around knees should begin this exercise moderately, and within thirty or sixty days, they will be able to stretch completely.



EXERCISE II A

Kneel down on the floor, sit back on your feet and lean backwards supporting yourself by palms placed on the floor either side of you.



EXERCISE II B

Now lower yourself gradually, bending your arms until elbows touch floor, and bending your head back as far as possible. You will feel a stretchment throughout the length of your body. Then raise yourself slowly to the sitting position.

Note: This last exercise should be attempted only if you have limbered your body. Do it once the first day, and increase one time every second day until you do it six or eight times a day without feeling too much of a strain.

Continually hold yourself in good posture, and practice these two exercises daily if you wish to stretch yourself as well as possible.

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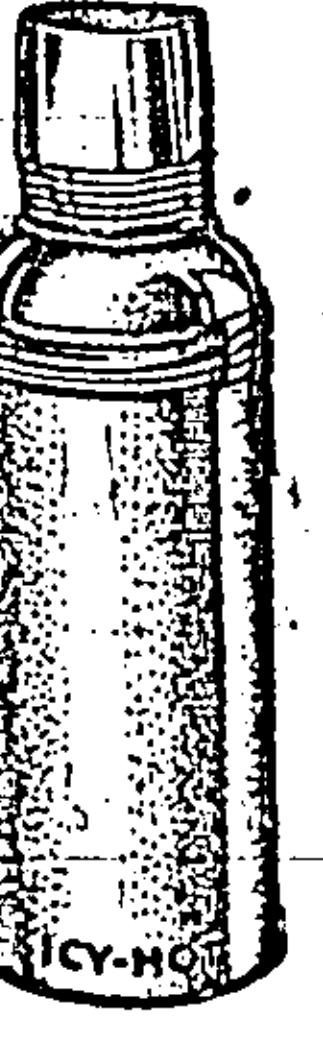
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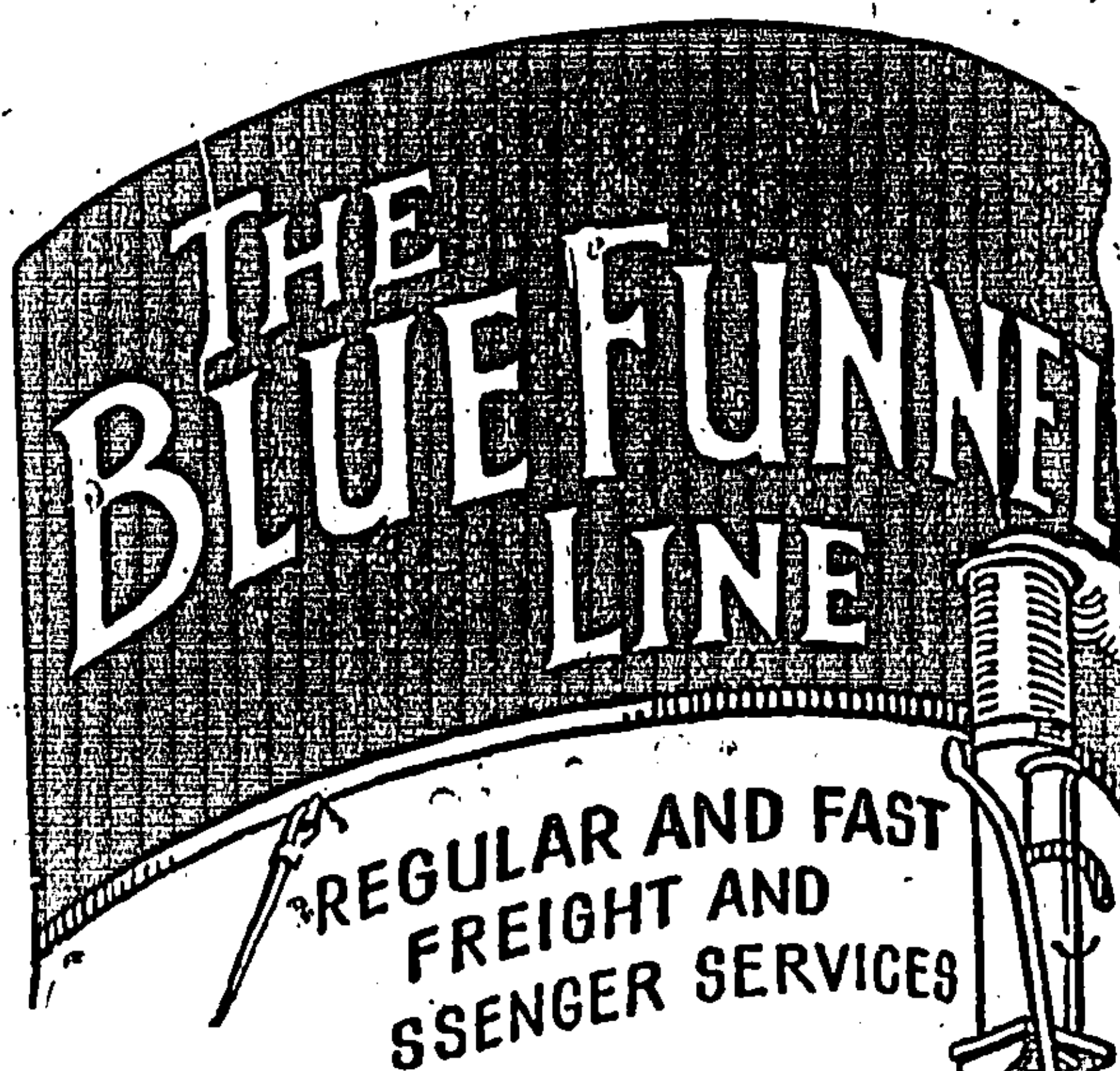
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Songs by Leslie Hutchinson.
12.40 p.m.—Bob Crosby and His Orchestra.
1.03 p.m.—Sea Shanties by Stuart Robertson and Raymond Newell.
1.15 p.m.—Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
1.45 p.m.—Latest Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
8.00 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in F Major, Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
8.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Out of the Blue", A Short Story read by Sapper.
8.53 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Concert with Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Ina Souez (Soprano).
"Caliph of Bagdad"—Overture (Boieldieu)....State Opera Orchestra.
Open Your Window To The Morn, Op. 56, No. 3 (Royden-Phillips); If I Should Send A Rose (Shayon-Shilkret)....Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.
The Clock Is Playing (Blaauw); Dicky Bird Hop (Gourley)....New Mayfair Novelty Orchestra.
My Hero (from "The Chocolate Soldier"—O. Strauss); Love Will Find A Way (from "The Maid of the Mountains"—Fraser-Simson)....Ina Souez (Soprano) with Orch.
Menuet (Boccherini)....Orchestra Symphonique.
A Dream Of Paradise (Lyttleton-Gray)....Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Waldteufel Memories (arr. Finck)....De Groot & His Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Request Variety Programme.
8.45 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & Topical Talks.
9.45 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"The Village Concert". A programme devised by Frederick Grisewood and presented by William MacLurg.
10.15 p.m.—More Variety—Requests.
11.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
12.00 midnight—Close down.

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THRILLING GAME EXPECTED BETWEEN CHUNG HWA AND HONG KONG BREWERS

Sappers To Clash With H. K. B. C.

By "Grandstand"

OF THE THREE League tilts scheduled for the week-end, the game to-day between Chung Hwa and Hong Kong Brewers is the only one which promises some interest to fans who journey to Caroline Hill.

What happened in their first encounter is now all forgotten but just the same, the game, unless I miss my guess, will be a corker and a hard-fought one from start to finish.

A victory for Hong Kong Brewers will still give them a chance for the championship and the Abemen will be out of the running. If Chung Hwa snatch another victory from the Wingleemen to-day the two teams will be tied for second place in the League standing.

The Brewers are all keyed up for this "needle" match and are raring to go to give Mentor Abe Liu and his squad a good spanking. Abe, however, has something up his sleeve and a bagful of new tricks to spring on the Brewers. H. B. will presumably depend on their power-houses to carry them to victory while Chung Hwa play brainy baseball. It should be a touch and go affair and it's hard to forecast the result. All I can say, the team that gets the breaks will emerge on top.

Probable Line-up

H.B.	Chung Hwa
M. Arculli	P. Bill Chang
H. Winglee	C. Tuffy Chinn
T. Leonard	1b Leung
O. Arculli	2b Al Lau
D. Leonard	3b Wally Ching
G. Souza	SS Nip Lum
H. Ali	1f R. Chung
S. Leonard	cf Choy
Z. Gosano	rf Hank Chang

Reserves

Ramjahn	C. Chan
Ismael	T. Chan
J. Bowen	Loong
	Babe Chinn

Umpires

J. Alvares, Poochie Chase and C. Figuereido

Sappers' Chance

With Tony Mascavage, Harold Winglee and Nip Lum officiating, Hong Kong Baseball Club meet Royal Engineers in the first game of a double-header to-morrow.

The Molthenmen have been on the down and down lately and the Sappers will have a good chance of registering their first win this season. Inasmuch as I would like to see R.E.'s win a game before the season closes I don't think they are good enough to snatch a victory from the Hongkongites.

The Sappers will have their usual team out with Denyer, pitching; Fox, catching and Shaw, first base. Welford will be at the keystone position; Ings, third base and Foley completes the infield at shortstop. The outfielders will be Hatchette, Taylor, McIlwraith, Wells, and Harper. Doc Molthen will be fielding those who turn out, with Bill Smith probably starting on the mound, and Joe Higgins catching.

In the second game Mindanao should have an easy time disposing of South China. Mindanao, however, are not taking any chances because an upset may mean the pennant. Poochie Chase will be fielding his regular line-up and expects pile-up enough runs in the first three innings to ensure a comfortable lead. Ski Pow-Jawski will be burning them over from the hillock with Tony at the other end. The rest of the line-up will be the same as usual: "Horseface" Douglas, first base; Poochie Chase, second; Red Todd, third; and Badrick, shortstop. Highpockets Wilson, leftfield; Crooner Ruel, centre field; and Padgett, rightfield.

Line-Up Uncertain

Grandpop Leung is not quite sure yet about his line-up but it will probably be Lau on the rubber and Harry Chin, who did a

"Y" TEAM BEAT R.C. OF SIGNALS

Playing in the home pool, a junior team from the European "Y" defeated the Royal Corps of Signals by 5-3 in a scrappy water-polo match yesterday.

For the winners, Benn and Rallton were prominent, their experience and all-round play proving far too good for the Signals.

The losers more than held their own in the first half when, trailing from a 2-0 lead, they rallied to score two goals to draw level through Dignan who was playing a sterling game.

Scorers for the "Y" were Maynard (2) Chater (2) Fowler (1) while all three goals for the Signals were scored by Dignan.

European "Y": Semmelman, Stokes and Benn; Rallton, Maynard, Fowler and Chater.
Royal Corps Of Signals:—Bennett, Bedford and Morgan; Willis, Pitcher, Dignan and Allen.

RECREIO "B" MAKE HISTORY; BEAT C.R.C. AT CAUSEWAY BAY

THE RECREIO "B" tennis team, which started their League fixtures with a defeat at the hands of Kowloon Tong Garden City Association, made history yesterday when they beat Chinese Recreation Club at Causeway Bay by 5½-3½.

This is the first occasion in the history of Club de Recreio that they have beaten C.R.C. on the latter's ground, in any division of the League, and this success gives them every chance of winning the title, although South China and Kowloon Tong have yet to lose their 100 per cent. records.

Chiefly responsible for Recreio's win yesterday were J. J. Remedios, erstwhile "A" Division player, and B. T. Gosano, who won 2½ sets. Both of the other pairs, however, gave useful support and Recreio have every reason to be satisfied with the present line-up of their team.

T. C. Luk and S. W. Wong (C.R.C.) drew with J. J. Remedios and B. T. Gosano 6-6
beat C. A. Barretto and A. M. Rodrigues 6-2
beat M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed 6-4
Marland Ma and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.)
lost to Remedios and Gosano 4-6
drew with Barretto and Rodrigues 6-6
drew with Oliveira and Reed 6-6
C. C. Luke and C. C. Chiu (C.R.C.)
lost to Remedios and Gosano 4-6
lost to Barretto and Rodrigues 2-6
lost to Oliveira and Reed 5-7

League Table

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.D.R.	6	5	0	1	32½	21½	10
S.C.A.A.	4	4	0	0	30	6	8
K.T.G.C.A.	4	4	0	0	28½	7½	8
C.R.C.	3	2	0	1	18½	8½	4
C.C.C.	3	2	0	1	17½	9½	4
A.T.C.	4	2	0	2	19½	16½	4
K.C.C.	5	1	0	4	1½	28½	0
I.R.C.	4	0	0	4	9½	21½	0
H.K.C.C.	3	0	0	3	5½	21½	0
C.S.C.C.	4	0	0	4	5	31	0

V.R.C. GALA

To-night at 9.15 p.m. the Victoria Recreation Club will hold their first gala.

In all the free-style events swimmers are classified as follows:

(a) Those who register 67 secs. or under for the 100 yards.

(b) Those who register over 67 secs. for the 100 yards.

An informal dance will be held at the conclusion of the gala, the entrance to which will be 20 cents.

REVISION OF "D" DIVISION FIXTURES

Following are the revised League fixtures for the "D" Division of the Tennis League:—

	Home	Away
C.R.C. (b)	v C.R.C. (a)	
C.C.C.	v F.C.	
I.R.C.	v S.C.A.A.	
K.C.C.	v K.H.T.C.	
C.R.C. (a)	v K.H.T.C.	
F.C.	v K.C.C.	
C.C.C.	v C.R.C. (b)	
S.C.A.A.	v C.R.C. (a)	
K.H.T.C.	v F.C.	
I.R.C.	v C.C.C.	
C.R.C. (a)	v F.C.	
S.C.A.A.	v C.R.C. (b)	
C.C.C.	v K.C.C.	
C.R.C. (a)	v I.R.C.	

Any of these matches may be played on dates other than above by mutual arrangement between the clubs concerned.

"Y" GALA FOR SATURDAY

On Saturday next, July 27, European Y.M.C.A. will meet Hong Kong University in a series of swimming events on a 3, 2, 1 points basis. The Y.M.C.A. team will be as follows:

50 yards free-style:—A. Dodd and R. Goldman.

100 yards free-style:—E. W. Rallton and G. Arnold.

220 yards free-style:—G. T. May and L. A. Benn.

440 yards free-style:—G. T. May and L. A. Benn. Reserve, L. H. Chater.

100 yards breaststroke:—A. Dodd and Peter Wilson. Reserve R. Maynard.

100 yards back-stroke:—B. S. Wilson and F. Willis.

150 yards medley relay:—B. S. Wilson, A. Dodd and R. Goldman.

220 yards free-style relay:—G. Arnold, R. Goldman, E. W. Rallton and G. T. May.

Exhibition Diving:—G. Saunders.

One length (25 yards) Under-Water Race for members.

Water-polo.

The water-polo and the diving will be in the nature of exhibition events and will not count towards the grand aggregate.

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION

Recreio "A"	(58)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(53)
Kowloon C.C.	(—)	v	Civil Service	(—)
Indian R.C.	(49)	v	Kowloon Docks	(59)
Hong Kong F.C.	(47)	v	Police R.C.	(64)
Recreio "B"	(52)	v	Craigengower	(77)

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower	(69)	v	Kowloon Tong	(64)
Kowloon B.G.C.	(68)	v	Police R.C.	(38)
Kowloon F.C.	(85)	v	Hong Kong C.C.	(43)
Kowloon C.C.	(44)	v	Recreio	(68)
Civil Service	(—)	v	Taikoo R.C.	(—)

THIRD DIVISION

Indian R.C.	(43)	v	Hong Kong C.C.	(64)
Hong Kong Electric	(—)	v	Hong Kong F.C.	(—)
Kowloon B.G.C.	(45)	v	Prison O.C.	(72)
Craigengower	(58)	v	Kowloon F.C.	(57)

Figures in bracket denote the result of the first game this year.

CHAMPIONS SHOULD REPEAT VICTORY OVER KOWLOON B.G.C.

By "SKIP"

SOME GOOD GAMES are down for decision in each division of the Lawn Bowls League to-day and at the head of these I will place that between Club de Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

In their first encounter this season, at Austin Road, the Champions won by three shots, after a most exciting finish, and I think that they should be able to keep the points to-day in spite of some changes in the visiting team. R. P. Phillips is fit again and is to play lead to Hall with Armstrong second man, whilst L. Guy comes in as third man.

Kowloon Cricket Club have—I Bowl Association Sweep stake almost said at last—made some changes in their team and these together with ground advantage may enable them to beat the Civil Servants, although I am not too sure of my forecast.

The Indians are usually strong at home and will be expected to beat Kowloon Dock, but as the latter have a strong team out the Bookunpoonists will have to be at their best to win.

Hong Kong Football Club, heartened by their fine performance against Craigengower last week, should be able to beat the Police as the game is on their own side of the Valley.

The only away winner in this Division should be Craigengower, who play a slightly altered Club de Recreio "B" team at King's Park.

Second Division

The best game in Second Division should be at Craigengower, where Kowloon Tong will be entertained. Both teams lost at home last week but, think that the advantage of playing at the Valley may ensure a win for Craigengower.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club will meet Police at Austin Road and should win comfortably—I should like to draw them in the sweep!

Kowloon Football Club also look to have an easy thing on against Hong Kong Cricket Club and I am not forgetting the latter's result on Saturday last.

Club de Recreio go over to Kowloon C. C. and look sure of another couple of points, whilst I will be more than surprised if Taikoo come away pointless from the Civil Service Green.

Third Division

Indians may beat Hong Kong Cricket Club at Sookunpoo in Third Division—but although I have tipped the Electricians to win I am not very sure about it.

Prison Officers should be able to beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club narrowly, whilst Kowloon Football Club also look likely away winners.

Five hundred tickets were sold in the first Hong Kong Lawn (Skip).

BOWLS TEAMS

TAIKOO R.C.

Second Division (v. C.S.C.C. away):—W. Melrose, C. Boydair, T. F. Stainton and J. C. Chalmers (Skip); R. Main, W. McKie, F. Hillon, and D. Munro (Skip); W. Cunningham, D. Coull, J. Watson and R. Keown (Skip).

H.K.C.C.

Second Division (v. K.F.C. Away):—F. D. Angus, J. L. Mout, G. E. Costello and E. E. Maughan (Skip); J. Prentice, A. T. Lay, E. Hospes and R. Davies (Skip); T. A. Pearce, A. K. Mackenzie, R. A. Edwards and A. W. Brown (Skip).

Third Division

Third Division (v. I.R.C. Home):—W. A. Cornell, L. E. N. Ryan, A. Nisim, and F. S. Cassidy (Skip); H. B. L. Wylie, W. A. Cruickshank and R. H. Wild (Skip); E. S. Abraham, H. A. Angus, D. J. Lacon and A. McKellar (Skip).

TITLE VACANT UNTIL OVERLIN MEETS HOSTAK

KENNETH OVERLIN did a good job on Ceferino Garcia recently, but the 30-year-old gob will have an empty middleweight title until he erases Al Hostak and Tony Zale, writes an American correspondent.

With so little power attached to his offence, Ken Overlin would not be likely to fare too well against either Hostak or Zale, who waded in with a fair idea of both attack and defence.

And Hostak and Zale, who got up off the floor to take a decision when the N. B. A.'s top man broke his hands in Chicago, are the hardest hitters in the 160-pound division.

Garcia is entitled to a return match with Overlin, after which it would pay Mike Jacobs to bring Hostak and Zale into the New York picture and make it possible for the survivor to establish a clear claim to the crown.

Nate Druxman says Jacobs' refusal to release talent for Seattle matches with Hostak is all that prevents the slugging slay and Zale from appearing in Manhattan.

Promoter Druxman insists on having suitable opposition for Hostak in the Puget Sound country and is holding Zale for that purpose.

ARMY TENNIS ACTIVITY

The Army courts at Sookunpoo yesterday were a hive of activity and no fewer than four matches in the Army Tennis League were played.

In "A" Division, victories were scored by R.A.O.C., R.A.M.C. and R.A.S.C., while 24, Bty., R.A. beat Royal Scots by the odd set, in Second Division.

Following were the results:—

R.A.O.C. v. R.S.

Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat Royal Scots by 7 sets to 2 in a First Division Army League tennis match at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Emerson and Duffield (R.A.O.C.) beat Capt. Douglas and Cpl. Ilsey 6-2
beat Pte. Jenkins and Wills 6-0
beat Pte. Fowler and Pte. Glasgow 6-0
Capt. Bridge and Pte. Boocock (R.A.O.C.)

beat Douglas and Ilsey 10-8
lost to Jenkins and Wills 4-6
beat Fowler and Glasgow 6-3

Gardner and Stonor (R.A.O.C.)

beat Douglas and Ilsey 6-3
lost to Jenkins and Wills 4-6
beat Fowler and Glasgow 6-3

R.A. v. R.A.M.C.

In another First Division Army League tennis match, 8th Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery, lost to Royal Army Medical Corps by 7 sets to 2, at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Capt. Hook and Lieut. Skipworth (R.A.)

lost to Lieut.-Col. Smith and Major Harrison 2-6
beat S/Sgt. Banty and Pte. Whyllie 6-0
beat Sgt. Webb and Cpl. Parkin 10-8
S/Sgt. Skinner and Sgt. Osborne (R.A.)

lost to Smith and Harrison 0-6
lost to Banty and Whyllie 3-6
lost to Webb and Parkin 5-7

McCormell and Sgt. Marsh (R.A.)
lost to Smith and Harrison 0-6
lost to Banty and Whyllie 4-6
lost to Webb and Parkin 2-6

R.A.S.C. v. SIGNALS

A further match in the First Division Army League tennis match was played at Sookunpoo yesterday, when Royal Army Service Corps beat Royal Corps of Signals by 6 sets to three.

L/Cpl. Logan and Cpl. Young (R.A.S.C.)

beat L/Sgt. Bundy and Cpl. Husband 6-2
beat L/Sgt. Langley and L/Sgt. Brakenberry 6-4
beat Cpl. Wather and Cpl. Tomlinson 6-4

Cpl. Martin and Pte. Gibbs (R.A.S.C.)
beat Bundy and Husband 6-4
beat Langley and Brakenberry 6-4
beat Wather and Tomlinson 6-1

L/Cpl. Moore and Pte. Walton (R.A.S.C.)

lost to Bundy and Husband 2-6
lost to Langley and Brakenberry 2-6
lost to Wather and Tomlinson 4-6

R.A. v. R.S.

In a Second Division Army League tennis match, 24th Battery, Royal Artillery, beat Royal Scots by 5 sets to 4.

Capt. McMillan and 2nd/Lieut. Simons (R.A.)

beat C.Q.M.S. Green and C.Q.M.S. Graham 6-3
beat Pte. Gilroy and Pte. Jenkins 6-0
beat Sgt. Taylor and L/Cpl. Downing 6-4

Sgt. Warder and L/Bdr. Hannan (R.A.)

beat Green and Graham 6-2
lost to Gilroy and Jenkins 4-6
lost to Taylor and Downing 6-0

L/Bdr. Thompson and Gnr. Denton (R.A.)
beat Green and Graham 6-2
lost to Gilroy and Jenkins 3-6
lost to Taylor and Downing 4-6

FLANDERS TO FLANNELS

When Captain Jack Whitehead, an Eastbourne cricketer, who has played for Sussex, arrived home from Dunkirk, his first act was to ring up the Eastbourne club's ground inquiring if there was a match.

A place in the team was found for him. He scored one run.

Return Voyage From Sydney Proves Tonic

Clever Ken Overlin, with the wisdom of years of playing around with heavy hitters, took his time about scaling the heights.

Overlin, discharged from the navy in 1933 following more than seven years of service, has been an industrious warrior.

His 174 centests have taken him all over the country and to Australia.

He sailed for the Land Down Under in his one bad year—1938, when he was stopped by Freddie Steele in Seattle for the first and only time and dropped a decision to Walter Woods in New York.

It was then the pale and spindly-legged Overlin decided the long voyage to Sydney would prove the tonic he needed, but he evidently obtained more benefit out of the return trip, for while in Australia he lost a verdict to Fred Henneberry.

Overlin Fought Foes In Their Back Yards

Overlin, who first attracted national attention by taking a de-

batable decision from Fred Apostoli at the old New York Hippodrome three years back, struck his current winning streak upon his return to the States.

He has had 21 battles since and lost only one decision—a close one to Teddy Yarosz in Houston a year ago last March.

Some of the boys he has repelled are pretty well known—Al Quail, Eric Seelig, Allen Mathews, and Ben Brown, among them.

Overlin has specialised in lugging the trouble to the lads in their own back yards. He won from the accomplished Brown in Miami and twice held him even in his home town, Atlanta.

Like the Sharkeys—Tom and Jack, Sailor Petrosky, Babe Risko and others—Ken Overlin joined the navy to learn to fight and used the profession to see the world.

CORRESPONDENCE

AROMIN PREPARED TO FIGHT LEE OR COLLINS

Sir,—I Mr. Salustio Nantes Aromin, better known as "Young" Johnny Aromin, bantam and feather-weight boxing champion of Hongkong, is willing or say "DARE" stake (as mister "Sky" Lee has mentioned in your papers issued July 16, 1940) my bantam or feather-weight title against himself (Sky Lee) or any one of his pupils, no one barred, in any numbers of rounds for the benefit of the British War Organisation Funds. I further challenge the Hongkong's LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPION if there is any one claimant of this title, or Len Collins who claims himself Amature WELTER-WEIGHT CHAMPION of London, who has fought with successes both in America and Australia, if he has already arrived, from his fights in Manila.

I have already met Len Collins once when we fought a hard hitting bout June 23, 1940, at the Victoria Recreation Club, and of which was also published in your valuable papers June 26, 1940. Cause of this fight was Collins' boastful remarks of knocking me out inside three rounds, ten to eight-hundred odds against me. I gave him six rounds, but he did not fulfil his promise. Though I did not knock him out in our first encounter, am still looking forward for another, and with still the same determination of beating him via the short-route, inside a 15 — 3 minutes rounds combat.

Ever since the last bouts which were staged at the Po Hing theatre some two or three years ago, I have only participated in two gruelling fights once as I have already stated above, and the other when an exhibition was staged between a French sailor who scaled over 160 lbs. and myself a 120 pounder, on board the La Motte Picquette, a French cruiser. I won on a knock out in the second round.

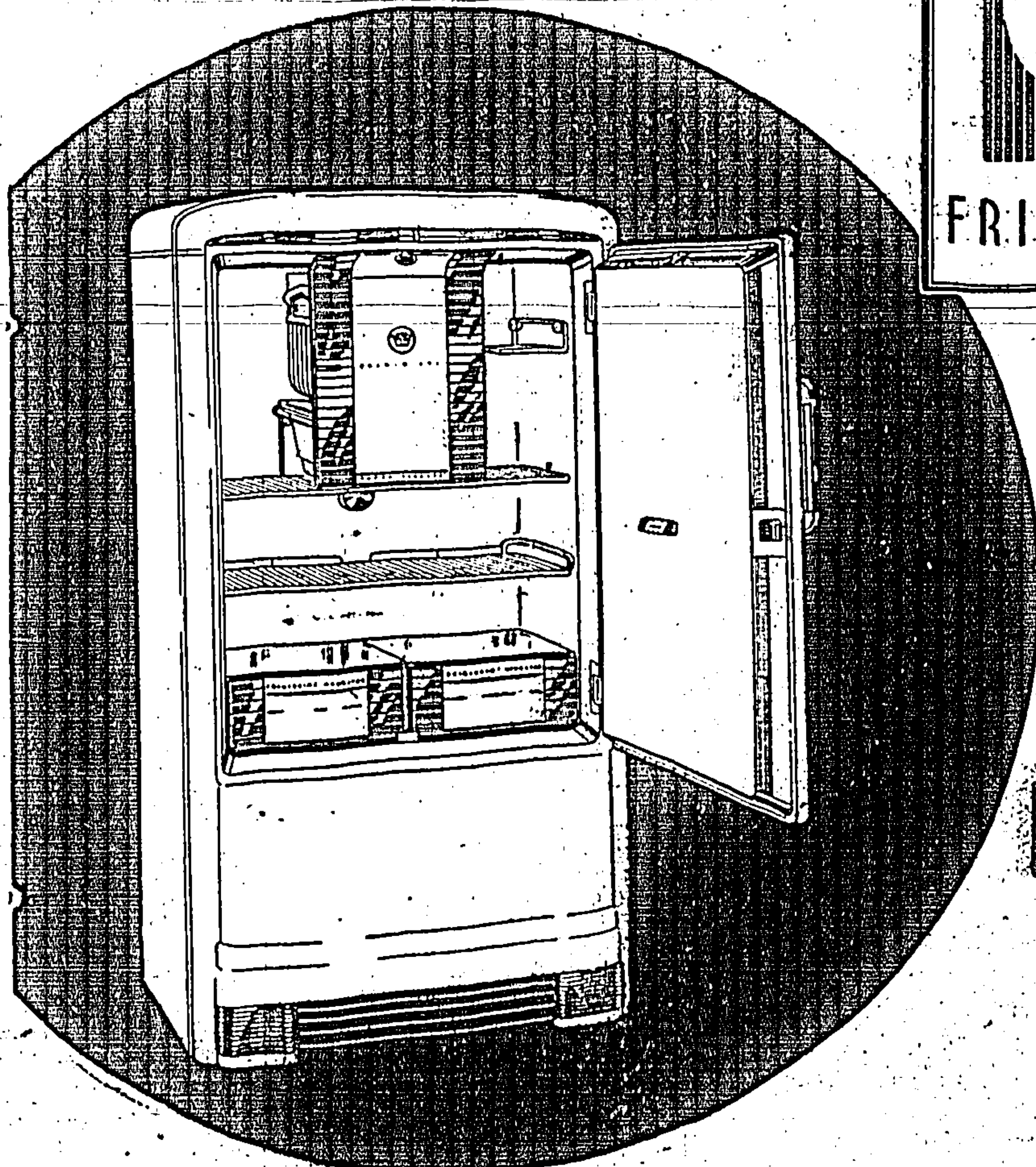
"Sky" Lee, said for the sheer love of the sport he would be too pleased to defend his reputation of Physical Instructor, so why offer me to fight his pupils who are not at all known in this boxing world. In fighting "Sky" Lee, I also have my boxing reputation as a champion to risk, against his so called experience and advantage of weight; so why not he himself fight me, and prove himself not trying to side-step. After all we will be fighting for a good cause and we need to have a good attraction in order to make worth the money of people who will pay to come and see our ends. I have also a "KID" brother who dare fight any of mister LEE KIM KUM'S, fly, bantam-weight pupils.

For enquiries, a letter addressed to me at Kowloon Docks, will be promptly answered.

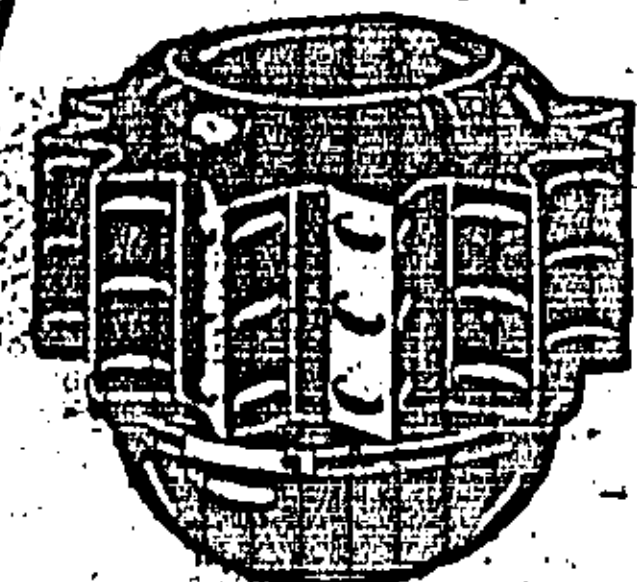
"YOUNG AROMIN"

***Collins is still in Manila where he was engaged in a bout on Wednesday. No result is yet to hand Sports Ed.

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ITALIAN CRUISER SUNK BY "SYDNEY"

Another Naval Action In Mediterranean

HITLER NEEDS MORE PLOUGHMEN

Bremen radio stated last night that Hitler has decreed that all Belgian prisoners of war, except officers and non-commissioned officers, are to be released.—Reuter.

SINKING OF CITY OF LIMERICK

The Nazis recently officially stated that they were only interested in seeing that Eire maintain her neutrality. They recently gave a demonstration of this interest, when they sank the s.s. City of Limerick.

She flew the Eire ensign and had the Eire colours painted on her sides and on top of the bridge-deck. She was also unarmed. She stopped immediately on the first sign of an attack, fulfilling the rules laid down by the Germans themselves. But that did not save her.

THE ITALIAN CRUISER BARTOLEMO COLLEONI HAS BEEN ENGAGED AND SUNK BY H.M. AUSTRALIAN CRUISER SYDNEY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

The Admiralty announced yesterday evening that the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet reports that H.M.A.S. Sydney, commanded by Captain J. A. Collins, R.A.N., with a small destroyer force, engaged two Italian cruisers early yesterday morning to the north-west of Crete.

In the ensuing action, the Italian 6-inch gun cruiser Bartolemo Colleoni was sunk. The other withdrew, with British forces in pursuit. A destroyer rescued 250 survivors.

That was the brief announcement by the Admiralty. The Colleoni, the Italians claimed, was one of the fastest cruisers in the world. She was launched in 1930 and on her trials, attained a speed of 40 knots.

She had a normal complement of 500, and a displacement tonnage of over 5,000 tons, with powerful armament, including eight 6-inch guns, six 3.9-inch guns, four torpedo-tubes, and two catapult planes; she could also be employed for minelaying. She was one of four built in 1930-32, while four others of similar type were built in 1933 and 1935.

She was one of a class built as a reply to the French destroyers of the "Lyon" class, and could, in fact, evade most destroyers. H.M.A.S. Sydney, of 6,000 tons, also carries eight 6-inch guns, but her speed is less—32½ knots. Her other armament includes four 4-inch anti-aircraft guns and four 3-pounders. She was built on the Tyne in 1934 and later taken over by the Australian Navy.

It may be recalled that an earlier H.M.A.S. Sydney sank the German commerce raider Emden at the Cocos Islands in November, 1914.—Reuter.

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LONDON COMMENT ON SPEECH

HITLER'S SPEECH, SAYS REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT IN LONDON, IS REGARDED IN WELL-INFORMED BRITISH QUARTERS AS SO UNREMNUNERATIVE AND SO BARREN IN EVERYTHING EXCEPT ABUSE, WHICH WAS LIBERALLY BESTOWED ON THE PRIME MINISTER, WITH MINOR EXPRESSIONS TOWARDS MR. DUFF-COOPER AND MR. ANTHONY EDEN, THAT FOR THE MOMENT IT HARDLY DESERVES ANY OFFICIAL REACTION.

DOUBTLESS SOME OBSERVATIONS WILL BE MADE BY THE PRIME MINISTER WHEN PARLIAMENT MEETS. IN THE MEANTIME, READERS OF THE SPEECH WILL BE ABLE TO FORM THEIR OWN IDEAS OF ITS MERITS.—REUTER.

H.K. LIQUOR DUTY WARNING

An indication that an increase in Hong Kong's liquor duties is contained in the "Gazette."

An Order made by the Officer Administering the Government in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3A of the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance, 1927, authorize the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, during the period of two months from the date of the order, (July 16, 1940) to refuse to allow the delivery of dutiable liquors for local use from ship side or warehouse on payment of duty in any cases where deliveries are demanded of amounts exceeding the deliveries which appear to the Superintendent to be reasonable deliveries in the circumstances.

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STOP PRESS

Further details concerning the removal of the Treasury ban on dealings in American and Canadian securities were disclosed in London yesterday.

Removal of the ban, which was enforced on June 17, was announced on Thursday when it was stated the bulk of securities marketable outside the United Kingdom were being transferred to Canada for orderly realisation. It is understood that securities shipped to Canada will be placed in the custody of the "United Kingdom Security Deposit" under the Bank of England's control.

When the securities have been unpacked and escorted so that they can be delivered on request, sales abroad will be permitted and further requisitioning orders may be made.

The authorities are not resuming permits for sales between U.K. residents owing to technical depository difficulties; such sales would not help realisation abroad for foreign exchange which is a vital point.

Nevertheless London Stock Exchange circles welcome this partial relaxation; realisations abroad, whether by the owners or by requisitioning, entail reinvestment demand in London whereas in past months the complete immobilisation of this important section has succeeded in depressing the London market generally, especially for similar securities such as, for instance, Kafirs.—Reuter.

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